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PREFACE

THE LINCOLN RECORD SOCIETY has already printed two volumes of *Lincoln Wills registered in the District Probate Registry at Lincoln* (volumes 5 and 10 of the SOCIETY's publications). The present work continues the series of wills from June 1530 down to June 1532, when the second Book of Wills in the Lincoln Consistory Court ends. Now, therefore, abstracts of all the wills in this Book and in the first Book, labelled respectively "1506 &c.," and "1520-31," have been printed, together with the wills, belonging to the same period, which have been collected from the other courts in the District Registry. A few earlier wills which escaped notice when volume II was printed have been included in the present work. In making the abstracts, the principles laid down in the two previous volumes have been followed.

The thanks of the SOCIETY are once more due to the successive Registrars of the Lincoln District Probate Registry for access to the documents under their charge; and to the clerks of the Registry for their courtesy.

The Index of Persons and Places has been prepared by Miss F. E. Thurlby under the Editor's direction.

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Timberland,
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ABBREVIATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

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| L. | LITHERLAND, Henry, bachelor in decrees, commissary and official of the Archdeaconry of Stow (pages 15, 18, 89, 97, 101, 106-7, 110, 144-5, 149, 153, 164, 168-9, 180, 183, 191-2, 196, 234) |
| L.C.C. | Lincoln Consistory Court |
| L.R.S. | Publications of the Lincoln Record Society. |
| Pope | POPE, John, official of the archdeaconry of Lincoln (page 85). |
| P. | PRYN, John, doctor of decrees, commissary and official of the archdeaconry of Lincoln (<i>passim</i>) |
| Stow | Court of the Archdeaconry of Stow |

LINCOLN WILLS

VOLUME III

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS SYGRAUE OF STOWE GRENE.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 32d.]

4 February, 1525-6. I Thomas Sygrave of Stawgrene next Threkingham makes my testament and last wyll. My body to be buryde in the church yerde of Threkingham. To the vycar of Stowe my best beste in the name of my mortuary. To the hye alter of sanct Etheldrede of Stowe for tythes forgotten xx*d*. To owr Lady warkes of the cathedrall church of Lyncoln' xx*d*. To my sone Wylliam Sygrave prest and m^r of arte xx*s*. To my doughter the wyffe of Thomas Grene of Scredyngham xls. To m^r prior of Sempryngham, whome I orden and make superviser of my testament and last will vjs. viij*d*. To the subprior of the same housse xx*d*. To euery chanon ther beyng a preste xiij*d*. To the nunnys of Sempryngham iijs. iiiij*d*. To Robert Symmys my seruaunt a cowe now in the custodye of John Bell. To euery on of my seruantes dwellyng w^t me att tyme of my dethe a schepe. I will th^t Alys my wyffe duryng hyr lyffe kepe a yerly obbyt for me in the church off Threkyngham, and I will th^t the vicar of Threkyngham for the tyme beyng haue yerly att my sayd obbytt masse in offeryng pennys and v*d*. for rehersyng my name in the bedrowll, and I will th^t iijs. iiiij*d*. be yerly distribute att my obbyt to the bell ryngthers and to pore pepull in mette and drynke as costome is of the same parych, and I will th^t my sayd wyffe haue yerly of my rente att Threkyngham to performe my sayd obbytt yerly as is a boffe rehersyd duryng hyr lyffe naturall vjs. viij*d*., and after her decesse I will ther schall be immediatly delyueryd by myne executors to the vicar and to the parichoners of Threkyngham iij kye and xx*s*. off mony wych mony I will schall by the counsell of the vicar and off the church wardons schall be kepte in saue custodie, and the sayd iij kye I will schalbe letten to farme to the best valor to mayntene the same stokke and encresse the same w^t all as ofte as nede schall require; of the wych stokke I will that the sayd church wardyns by cownsell of the vicar of the same towne for tyme beyng shall yerly kepe my sayd obbyt after the decesse of my wyffe in the same maner as I wyllyd hyr to do duryng hyr lyffe on Sounday next after the Puryficacyon of our Lady w^t Placebo and Dirige ouer nyght and masse of requiem on the morowe, [folio 33] prayng for the soull of me the sayd Thomas Sygrave and Alys my wyffe and the saulles of my father and mother. I will th^t after my decesse my hoolle movable goodes be devydyd in thre partes, of the wych I will th^t my wyffe haue on parte and my chyldren an other parte, the thyrd parte I gyffe to m^r William Sygrave, Rycherd Sygrave, and Adam Sygrave my sonnes,

whom I make myne executors to pay my dettes and lagaces and dispose for my soull helth after the best discreycons, by the ouersyght of m^r prior of Sempryngham superviser. Thyes beyng wittnes, sir Thomas Lambart, vicar of Threkyngham; Thomas Gee of Byrthorp; Thomas Barne; Thomas Nix of Stowe; wt many other moy.

Proved before P., [query 7 February, 1525-6¹]. Administration granted to m^r William Sygrave, power being reserved to grant to Richard Sygrave and Adam Sygrave when they shall come.

TESTAMENTUM WILLELMI FOX DE BENNYNGTON [LONGA].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 152.]

10 April, 1530. Ego Willelmus Fox de Bennyngham, husbandman, condo testamentum meum in hunc modum. Inprimis lego animam meam Deo Patri omnipotenti beate Marie ac omnibus sanctis curie celestis, corpusque meum sepeliendum in cimiterio sancti Swythuni de Bennyngham predicta. Item reparacionibus ecclesie de Lincoln'. Item summo altari de Bennyngham xijd. Item lego cawsy iiijd. Item lego Thome Atkynson vnam ouem ouiculam cum agno. Item Thome Pauson vnam ouem ouiculam cum agno. Item lego capelle de Stanton viijd. Item lego Alicie Fox pro mercede sua vnum vitulum. Item lego noue campane viijd. Residuum vero bonorum meorum non legatorum do et lego Elizabethethe vxori mee. Emote matri mee vnam vaccam. Et vt Elizabetha vxor mea disponat et ordinet pro salute anime mee sicut ei melius videbitur expedire. Datum apud Bynnyngton predictam die et anno supradictis. Hiis testibus domino Roberto Barnesley capellano Johanne Hunt et Roberto Pauson cum aliis.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 8 May, 1530.

[THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BUSHY OF SCOTHERN].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 231d.]

In Dei nomine in the yer of our Lorde God a m^ccccccx^{xx} the xv daie of Aprill. I John Bussy of Scothorn of hoole mynde and goode remembraunce makith my last will and testament in fourme folowynge. First I bequeth my saule, etc. I will that ther be doon a trentall of masses for my saule. Item I bequeth to the hye aualter of Scorthorn iiijd. Item to our Lady werk of Lincoln iiijd. Item to saint Hugh heid iiijd. Item to the graye and the freres at the Grise fette on stryke of barly. The residue of my goodes not bequeth I giff unto William Bussy to paye my dettes and to performe my will [etc.], whom I make myn executour. Thies beyng wittenesse Richard Pykryn and William Kyrk with other moo.

[No probate act.]

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD POLLYS [OF KIRTON IN HOLLAND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 204d.]

5 May, 1530. I Richerde Pollys of Kyrtoun in Holand makes my testament and last wyll. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of

¹ The date is omitted, but the date supplied is shown to be probable by the probate of the wills which precede and follow.

the appostellys Peter and Paule in Kyrton, w^t my mortuary as the lawe shall require. To the reparacions of our mother church of Lincoln' iiijd. To the orphanys in saynt Catheryns iiijd. To the reparacions of my parysh churche in Kyrton iijs. iiijd. To euery alter in the sayd churche iiijd. To the Trinite alter in Kyrton churche on vestment of xls. price. To Agnes my wyff vij mylke kye and vij calvys and ij amblyng merys w^t ther folys, xx^{ty} yowys, and xx^{ty} lammys. To Phylip Lyster ij yong kye. To Nicholes Lyster ij yong kye, and to Grace Lyster iij yong kye and ij yowys w^t ij lammys. To Richerd Clypson my god sun on ewe w^t a lamme. To Richard Thomson my godsun on hogge w^t a lamme. To Thomas Richerdson my seruaunt a gray meare, and [folio 205] on burling rede brandede. I will that John my sonne haue my furryd gowne, and Phylip Lyster my beste cote, and Robert my sonne my russyt gowne. And yff so be th^t my wyff be w^t chylde yff it be a man chylde I will that it haue iiiij kye ij marys and vj yowys, and yff it be a woman chylde I will that Robert and John my sonnys gyff to her at the day of her mariage xx^{ty} nobylls. I will that my wyff haue halffe of my rye th^t is on the grounde, and Robert and John my sonnys the other halffe. I wyl that my wyff haue on acre of whete, on acre of barly, and on acre of benys. I will that Robert my sonne haue iiiij acres pastre namyd Mantyllyng, the wich was hys mother joynter. All the rest of my landes I will that they remayn to my wyff towarde the fyndyng off John my sonne at schole to suche tyme as he comme to the age of xxj^{ty} yeres, and then I will that all my landes excepte the iiiij acres before namyd be equally deuydyd betwyxt Robert and John my sonnys and the chylde th^t my wyff is w^t yff it be a man chylde, and so to remayn to them in fe simple ; and I will that my house in Willyngton w^t my horse myne at the diuision of the sayd landes be in Robertes parte ; and yff any of them fortune to dye w^t in the age of xxj^{ty} yeres then I will th^t hys parte th^t is ded bothe landes and goodes remayn to them that survyvis, and so eche of them to be others heyres. To Robert my sonne on matteres on pare of schetys w^t all other thynges necessary to the sayd bed. To John my sonne on fetherbed w^t all other thynges necessary to the sayd bed, and to ich off them on brasse potte, on brasse panne, and on chyste. To Robert my sonne my shodde carte, my plough, w^t all the gerys that pertenyth to them. I will that the reste of my croppe on the grounde vnbequethyd be solde be the discrecion of my executor to pay my rentes and my dettes and yff the sayd croppe vnbequethyd will not pay all my rentes and my dettes then I will th^t it be takyn of xiiij of my [folio 205d.] fatte neytt so Miche as shall be nede to pay the resydewe of my dettes. I will that the resydewe of my catellys not wytt be equally devydyd betwyxt Robert and John my sonnys, and I will that Thomas Poolys haue Robert my sonne in hys kepyng w^t hys stoke, and the sayd Thomas to receyve the rente of the forsayd iiiij acres yerly to the vse and profyt of Robert my sonne to suche tyme as he shall cum to the age of xxj^{ty} yeres, and then to delyuer to the sayd Robert hys stoke and hys goodes as it shalbe praysyd w^t the forsayd lande and all the proffyttes therof renewyng. I will that Agnes my wyff haue in her kepyng John my sonne w^t hys stok to suche tyme as the sayd John shall cum to the age of xxj^{ty} yeres, and then she to delyuer to the forsayd John hys stok as it shall be prasyd, and yff so be that Agnes my wyff do not kepe my

sonne John at scole then I will that Thomas Poolys take him to hys kepyng wt hys landes and goodes, and he to fynde hym at scole wt the proffyttes renuyng therof duryng the yeres before namyd, and then to delyuer to him hys stok as it is before playnly expressyd. The resydewe of my goodes not wytt I putte them in the disposition of Agnes my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose them to the most pleasure of God, to pay my dettes, [etc.], and I make Thomas Poolys supervisor, and I gyff hym a red dowyd cowe wt a flekyd calffe. Thes beyng wytnes, Thomas Cheney prest; sir George Lincoln'; sir Thomas Est; William Walker; wyth other moy.

Proved before P., at Freyston, 11 August, 1530. Administration granted to the executrix.

TESTAMENTUM THOME ANDRESON [DE CONINGSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 298d.]

In the name of God Amen. The fyrrt day of June in the yere of our Lorde God m^l fyve hundred xxx^{ty}. I Thomas Andreson of perfyt remembraunce makes my testament in thys maner fyrrt I bequeath my soule to Almyghty God to our Lady st Mary and to all the stes in hevyn. My body to be buryed wt in the church yerde of st Michel tharkangell of Conesby. Also I gyff to the high alter of the church of Conesby pro decimis oblititis xijd. and to the bellys of the same xijd. Also I gyff to the warke of our Lady of Lincoln xijd. Also to the church warke of Skevylby iiijd. And to the church warke of Canwyk xijd. Also I gyff to euery one of the gyldes at Conesby yt is to wyt of the Trinite, of Corpus Christi, of All Saintes, iiijd. Also I gyff to John Righton the best dooblet the best pare of hose yt he will chose of myn & a cappe. Also I gyff to William Snawden a dooblet a pare of hose next vnto the best & my syster hys wyff a seame of malte. Also I will yt Isabell Johanne Marcy & Catheryn my doughters shall haue evenly devydyd emong them vjl. xijs. iiijd. And yff it shall fortune the sayd Isabell or anny one of her sistres departe owt of thys worlde afore they shall cum to marrage then I will the sayd somme of vjl. xijs. iiijd. be evenly devydyd emong them whch doth lyff. Also I [folio 299] will yt Margaret my wyff shall haue the house wyth the appurtenances whch I dwell in duryng the termee of her lyff naturall and aftyr her decease it to remane to Isabell my daughter and to the heyres of her body and for defawt of such to remayn to Johanne my daughter and to the heyres of her body and for defawte of such the same house to remayn to Marcy my daughter and to the heyres of her body and for defawt of such heyres to remayn to Catheryne my daughter and to the heyres of her body. Moreouer yff it shall fortune the sayd Isabell Johanne Marcy and Catheryn to dye afore they shall cum to mariage than I will the forsayd somme of vjl. xijs. iiijd. be disposyd for the helth of my soule at the discretion of Margaret my wyff & of the church master of Conesby. I gyff to master Edwarde Dymok iijs. iiijd. to be good m^r to my wyff & chyldren. Also I will yff it shall fortune anny man to make title or clame to my sayd house in so mich that the sayd Margaret my wyff can not kepe it but to her gret hurte that the forsayd m^r Edward Dymok shall haue it to hym and to hys heyres for euer gyffyng to Margaret my wyff & to my

chylldren at hys discrescion. The resydue of all my goodes not bequethyd (my dettes & funeral expenses payd) I bequeth to Margaret my wyff makyngh her my sole executrix. I haue desyeryd to testify thys my testament, William Magson, parysh prest ; sir John Cooke ; & Thomas Waryn, parysh clerke.

Probatum fuit apud Horncastre coram magistro Johanne Pryn, etc., viij die mensis Maij anno domini predicto m^o quingentesimo xxxij (executore iurato), etc.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM HARWYK OF WELTON [LE WOLD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 178.]

1 June, 1530. I William Harwyk of Welton next Lowthe makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of saynt Andrew of Welton. I witt to our Lady warke of our cathedrall church off Lincoln xijd., and to the high alter of the same iiijd. I wyt to the church of saynt Andrew of Welton one acre barley. I wyt to Bartholomew Harwyk, my sone, xls. I wyt to Isabell Harwyk, my doughter, xls. I wyt to Helene, my doughter, xls. And yffon of them decease before they cum to lawfull age, [etc.]. I wyt to sir Thomas Beche, the parson, a wether lamme. I wyt to Nicholes Harwyk, my brother sonne, a qwyne calffe. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff and wytt to Jenet Harwyk, my wyff, and John Byrnyt, whome I make my executors. Thes men beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Beche, the parson ; John Harwyk ; John Benson ; John Lokwood ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 3 August, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF BERNARD ATKYNSON [OF HUMBERSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 219d.]

3 June, 1530. I Barnard Atkynson of Humberston, makyth my last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of Cle. To the high alter in my parysh church of Humberston viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln and the high alter ther iijs. iiijd. To the gylde of the Trinite of Clee on quarter whette and on quarter barley. To Richerd Atkynson, my sone, on cople yong oxen my best gowne and my fustyan jaket. To John Clerke, my best jaket, [etc.] To John Jekyll vj schepe. To the house of Welhoo xs. ; they to syng on trentall of messys for my soule. Resydewe of goodes to Crystyan my wyff, whome I make my executrix of thys my last will she to dispose them as she thyndes best and for the well of my soule. Also I orden Mr Bryan Curtes to be supervisor herof. Thes recordes, sir Thomas Vnderhyll, vicar ; Edward Wylliamson ; John Clerke ; and other.

Proved before P., at Grymmesby, 11 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF HELENE DAUSE [OF FRIESTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 207.]

4 June, 1530. I Helene Dause of the parysh of s^t Jamys of Freston. My body to be buryed wythin the churche yerde of Freston. To the

high alter in Freston churche ijd. To our Lady of Grace ijd. To s^t Jamys ijd. To our Lady of Lincoln my beste ring and iiijd. To our Lady warkes ijd. To s^t Hugh jd. To John my sonne my hed mansion with the appurtenaunces, to hym and hys heyres of hys body. To Agnes Obson, my daughter, a cowe, a basyn, a lauer, a panne of iij gallons. To Helene Dause, my goddoughter, a fely fole of ij yeres olde. To Robert Dause, the sonne of John Dause, a cowe. To William Dause a yowe and a lamme. To Agnes Ben a yowe and a lamme. The resydewe of my goodes I will that they shall be at the disposicion of William Daus and William Obson, whome I orden my executors. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Jamys Foster; John Daus; John Burton; and diverse other.

Proved before P., at Freston, ii August, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT MORWYN [OF INGOLDMELLS].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 211d.]

4 June, 1530. I Robert Morwyn off Ingolmelles. My body to be buried within the church yerde of s^t Peter of Ingolmelles. To the high alter of our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To the high alter in Ingolmelles for forgotten tithys ijs. viijd. To the ij syde alters, ether of them iiijd. To the belles vjd. To Agnes my wyff a cowe and a horse and xv yowes with ther lammys, on burlyng, and all my houshold stuff. To Jenet and Isabell, my doughters, each a cowe and a calffe. To Mary Tyler. To Wylliam Chattryngton vj hogges. I bequeth to a prest a trentall for to syng for my saule and for all my good frend soulys. The resydewe of my goodes, my body brought to the erthe, [etc.], I gyff them to Agnes my wyff and to my ij doughters, evenly to be devydyd emonges them. I make my executors John Morwyn, John Bruster; and Richard Willerton of Orby supervisor; and I gyff them for ther labors every on of them xijd. Thyes wytnes, sir Simon Dawson; Robert Wyllus; Thomas Herrysone; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Partney, 5 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS BYRKYT [OF NORTH WITHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 309.]

7 June, 1530. I Thomas Byrkeytt of Northwytham, seke of body. My body to be buried in the paryshe churche yerde. To the high alter of Northwytham viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To the parysh churche of Northwytham the best barly lande that I have. To Mr parson vjs. to pray for me. To Mr Thomas Bagott di' a acre of whette and another of pease. To every on of my chyldren ij nethe kyne, [etc.]. To euery churche that marchys upon hus a stryke of malte. Resydue of goodes to Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executrice; and Richerd Grene off Gunby to be oversear. Thes bearyng wytnes, Sir John Dave; John Byrkeytt; and Richerd Grene; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Bylchefelde, 1 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM WALGRAVE OF BURTON [PEDWARDINE].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 180.]

10 June, 1530. I William Walgrave of Burton Petwardyne makes thys my last will. My body to be buryed within the church of saynt Androy of the sayd Burton. I gyff for my mortuary xijs., and to the hygh alter for my forgottyn tythynges iijs. iiijd. To the reparacions of the chyrch vjs. viijd.; to the reparacions off our Lady chapell vjs. viijd. To our Lady warke of our mother chyrch of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To the churches of Scredyngeaton iijs. iiijd., Osburnby iijs. iiijd., Dembylby xxd., and Water Willoby xxd. I will that a prest shall syng for my father soule, my mother, my soule, and all crysten soulys thre yeres within the church of Burton, and to have for hys wagys yerly for the sayd space xl. I gyff to kepe a yerly obbyt within the sayd church for my father saule, my mother saule, my saule, and all crysten saulys xls. To Alice the chylde that I bryng up too qwyse, x lammys. To Alice my wyff syster on cowe. To Agnes my daughter two ky. To my daughter Margery on cowe. To every godchylde that I have on lamme. To every chylde of my sones Simon and Richerd on lamme. To echon of my brether xs. To my sonne, Simon Walgrave, forty hole schepe and forty lammys and fyve seame of malte. To my sone Richerd Walgrave forty hole shepe forty lammys and fyve seame of malte. To the sayd Simon and Richerd the parsonage of the sayd Burton dewryng my yeres. I will that ther be disposyd to pore people to pray for my soule on thre days, that is to say, on my buryall day, my vijth day, and my monyth day, xxl. Also I wyll that ther be done at Boston x messys at *Scala celi*. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff unto my wyff yff she do not mary; and yff she mary, then I will that my sone [sic] Simon and Richerd have the thyrd parte of all the forsayd goodes. I make my executores my wyff and Simon and Richerd my sonnes; and William Swanne to be the supervisor. Thes wytnes, Mr vicar; sir Henry Watson; William Swanne; Simon Robertson; Simon Walgrave; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Sleaford, 11 July, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

[THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM DALYSON OF LAUGHTON, NEAR GAINSBOROUGH.]

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 8d. Collated with another copy at folio 46d.]

11 June, 1530. I Wylliam Dalyson off Laughton.¹ My body to be buried in the churche of All Halowys in Lawghton.¹ To the hygh alter vjs. viijd. forgotten. To the warkes of ower mother holly churche at Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To every order of the frears at Lincoln xxd. To sanct Margarytes churche in Yorke vs. I wyll that a prest schall syng for the helth of my sawlle the space of one zere next after my deth. To every on of my thre daughteres Isabell, Elezabeth, and Jane xl markes. I make Marget my wyff, Wylliam and Roger my sones, my executures. Thes wytnes, syr Robert Taylyer, prest; Wylliam Barre²; Edmunde Wharfie; and Myghell Atkyn.

[No probate act.]

¹ Laughton at f. 46d.

² Rarre at f. 46d.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD TAYLLOR OF ELLESHAM.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 176d.]

12 June, 1530. I Richerd Tayllour of Ellesham makes my wyll. My body to be buryed in the church of Ellesham. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln xx^d. I bequeth on searge of a pownde wax and vs. in money to fynde on light before our Lady in Ellesham churche in the Lady quere evermore. To John Tayllour, my fader, on gowne, on feder bedde, on cowe, and xij sekkes, and xijs. iiijd. To Robert Tayllour iij quarters malte, my grene cote, on dublet, on chamlet jyrkyn. To William Tayllour, Jamys Tayllour, Richerd Whaplode, Robert Shorte, Betterys Sargeaunt, Alyson Tayllor, Jenet Longacre. To Elizabeth my wyff. To Edward Tayllour. To Jenet Tayllor *vl.* in the handes of John Hall of Barton, boteman. To the prior of Ellesham xijd., and to every brother iiijd. To the vicar of Ellesham and commerciis iijs. iiijd., and to the said vicar my whyte horse. I bequeth all my dettes to the church of Ellesham, as it apperyth in a byll in the vicar handes. Resydew of goodes to John Tayllour, whom I make my executor. Thes men wytnes, sir John Whaplode, vicar; John Tayllour; Edward Hopkynson; and Thomas Whaplode, etc.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 25 July, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WYLKYNSON [OF TIMBERLAND.]

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 259.]

13 June, 1530. I John Wylkynson of Tymberland parych makyth my last wyll. My body to be buryed in the church of s^t Androy of Tymberland. To the hygh alter for forgotten tithys vjs. viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln warkes xvjd. To our Lady of Marton xvjd. To my brother, John Wylkynson, ij oxen, a mere, a fely, a calffe, and my wane as it goys. To the church of Tymberland x yowys, [etc.]. To Robert Wylkynson, my godsun, a gray mer with ther foller. To Thomas Wylkynson a bay mere with ij folloers. To John Clerke elder a blak yren and a bronde. To John Clerke. I gyff a trentall of messys to be sayd in the church of Tymberland. Resydue of goodes to my brother John Wylkynson and Richerd Johnson, wich I make my executors. I wyll that sir Robert Dowke be supervisor. Wytnessys herof, sir Robert Dowke; Thomas Hedley; Richerd Johnson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Naneby, 30 September, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM THOMAS [OF WICKENBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 189.]

14 June, 1530, 21st Henry VIII. I William Thomas of Wykynbe. My body to be buried in the church of St Peter in Wykynbe, with my mortuary as it is due.² To the high alter of the forsayd churche iijs. iiijd. for tithys and oblaciōns forgotten. To our Lady warkes of our mother church of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To every house of the iiij orders of frerys within Lincoln xx^d. I will that a prest shall syng for me and for my good frendes halfe a yere within the churche of Wykynby. To Margaret

¹ *Rectius* '22'.² Translated from the Latin to this point.

my wyff v marke of money, the wich money Richerd Thomas, my sonne, doth owe unto me. To the church aforesayd iij bee hyves to fynde ij lyghtes brennyng within the kyrke, to burne on the halydays in tyme of divine servys, on of them before the roode and Mare and John, and the other before saynt John the Baptist, as long as the hyyvs goo forward and thryvys. To Margaret my wyff the hole croppe [*folio 189d.*] that is sown within the felde of Westlaby, with halffe the croppe that longes to Torpay house. To Charlys Thomas. I will that Margaret my wyff shall have the proffyt of my schepe as long as she doth lyff; and then they to be devydyd emong my chyldren barnes, as far as they will retche. The resydew of my goodes I put in to the handes of my executors, whome I make Ric' Thomas, my sonne, John Thomas, my sonne, and sir Edward Thomas, my kynsman, and yche of them to have for ther busynes xs. I make Mr Henry Bapthorpe supervisor. In wytnes herof, William Blowe of Wykynby; George Nevell of Faldyngworth; William Ynglewood; Henry Person; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Market Rasen, 5 July, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF HENRY HALL [OF LIMBER PARVA].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 219.]

15 June, 1530. I Henry Halle of Lyttyll Lymber makes my last wyll and testament. My body to be buryed within the kyrke of All Haloyys off Brokelesby. To the sacrament of the same kyrke vs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady warke iiijd. To Newsom abbay a bushyll of barly. To Lytle Lymber chapell a bushyll of barly. To Howsbe kyrke iiijd. To Kyrnyngton kyrke xijd. To Haburgh kyrke a brasse potte. I bequeth to the gylde of our Lady at Brokelesby a cownter and ij pewter dooblers. I will that a pryst syng for me and for my wyff a hole yere, and he to have for hys [*sic*] viij markes. The resydue of my goodes not wyt I bequeth unto Jenet Tolle, whome I make my executris to dispose them for the helthe of my soule as she thynkes best. I wyll that John Hall, my brother, be supervisor. Thes persons beyng wytnes, sir William Matyns, parysh preste; John Elston; John Allot; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Castr', 10 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS RABY [OF BARROWBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 254.]

15 June, 1530. I Thomas Raby of Barroby makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of All Halloys in Barrowby. To the alter in Barroby iijs. iiijd. To the arke where the offerynges be putt to the mayntenyng of our Lady warkes in Lincoln iiijd. To the churche of All Halloys off Barroby vj schepe. To the church of st Androy in Wohesthorpe vj schepe. I will have at my buryall, dirige with note, and prestes and clerkes to have for ther labors [*sic*]. I will have delte the same day to man, woman and chylde [*folio 254d.*] halpeny brede. To Richerd my sonne a newe bounde wayne [etc.]. I will that all my goodes be evenly devydyd in thre partes: and as towchynge on to my parte I do putt it to the disscression and conscience

of Isabell my wyff; and another parte to my chyldren, the wiche parte to be devydyd in viij partes; and John my brother to have on of them unto the discrecion, sight, and counsell of my cosyn Thomas Olyoet. I will that all my chyldren be at the kepyng of my wyff and John my wyff [sic] and John my brother, as long as she kepe her wedoy. And yff it so be that she be disposyd her aftyr to be maryed agayne, I will that all my chyldren with all ther partys be delyveryd unto ther unkyll, my brother John; he to have the rewle of them with the counsell of my cosyn Thomas aforesayd. I make Isabell my wyff to be my pryncipall executrix, and Richerd my sonne and John Basseth; and my cosyn Thomas Olyott to be overseer; And the resydewe of my parte not bequeste I do gyff to my executors; they to dispose for the helth of my soule, as they shall thynke the best. Thes beyng wytnes, Mr Thomas Goldyng, the parson of Baroughby; sir William Mayson; Thomas Nobill; John Jesoppe; Richerd Basseth; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 22 September, 1530. Administration committed to the executrix, the other executors being dead.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM WYETSON.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 347.]

15 June, 1530. I Will'm Wyetson. To the high altare wher as I shall be buryed for forgottyn tithys vs. To our Lady of Lincoln iiiijd. To the high altare of Crofte xxjd. I make Robert Dawson and Thomas Dawson feoffys of my landes and ten'tes in the countie of Lincoln to the performance of my will, [etc.]; I will that my executors take the reuenous and proffyt of my sayd landes for terme of iij yeres, besydes and over thyss halffe yere, to the performance of my last will. To Margaret my syster my swanne marke with all the swannys thereto belongyng. To Robert Dawson my best gowne, a dooblet of blak velvet, a jaket of chamlet, my best bonet, my best cherte, [etc.], for such chargys as I have putt hym to. To Thomas Dawson. To Robert Dawson wyff a cote for one of her chyldren. To Richerd Hunt ij aglettes of golde with a patlet of tawny velvet. To Martyn Graunte ij bottammys of golde. Resydue of goodes to Robert Dawson and Thomas Dawson, whome I make my executors. Witnesses sir John Monke of Tateshale, curate; John Porter, clerke; Martyn Graunt, brotherer [sic]; John Bawdre of Crofte; Ralffe Fuster; with moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 22 September, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM CRANE [OF FLEET].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 261d.]

18 June, 1530. I William Crane of Flete. My body to be buryd within the churchyerde of Mary Magdalen. To the hygh alter iiijd. To the church warkes iijs. iiijd. To the makynge of a lofte for the orgens xijd. To the roode light, the may lyght and st Cristofer light every on of them ijd. To the makynge of our Lady of Redybone chapell xijd. To the warkes of our mother chyrch of Lincoln iiijd. To the pore chylder of st Catheryns ijd. To Secily my daughter, Isabell and Margaret, everyon of them on bullok. To John my sonne. To Wylliam the sonne of Roger Crane. To my godsun, Thomas Brodys. To William Watson.

To William Flette and Thomas Flette. To Catheryne the daughter of John Crane. To Alice my wyff on horsse callyd Wyght Lyerd. To Thomas my sone my house after the decease of my wyff. To Thomas my sonne all my copy holde lande lying within Flette immedyatlly aftyr my decease. The resydue of my goodes I will it shall be devydyd emong my chyldren. I make my executors Robert Crane and Roger Crane. Wytnes, Henry Samson; William Thaker; John Sowthe.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF [blank] KELTERON [OF KETSBY, IN THE PARISH OF SOUTH ORMSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 229.]

21 June, 1530. Kelteron [sic] of Ketysby. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of st Margaret of Ketysby with my mortuary that the law will. I will that my chypaxe be sold, and xijd. of the money shall go to the hygh alter of our Lady of Lincoln; the resydewe of the money to our Lady warkes. To the high alter in st Margaret churche of Ketysby xijd. To the [same] vjs. viijd. to that intent that ther be yerly on taper of wax sett afore the sacrament, and burnyd to it be done, and than yerly renewyd agane. To the bellys ther xijd. To Margaret my daughter and Robert and Richerd my sonnys every on of them xxvjs. viijd. To William Kelteron on axe, a chesyll, and a mortus wymbyll. Resydewe of goodes to Jenet my wyff, whome I make my executrice. Thies wytnes, John Cokke, parson; Edmund Alyn; and other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 17 November, 1530. Administration committed to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. FOLDINGTON [OF BARHOLM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 309d.]

22 June, 1530. I Thomas Foldyngton of Berham. My body to be buryed in the chapell of our blessyd Lady within the parysh churche of st Martyn in Barham, to the reparacion of the wich I bequeth vjs. viijd., so that the paryshoners be contentyd that I may be buryed there and my wyff, wher it shall please God that we shall departe from thys present worlde. To Johanne Day, my daughter, ij acres of fre lande lying in the feldes of Berham, wheroff on acre and a haff lyith in the north felde boundyng upon a dyke namyd Bawdyn dyke, and halff an acre lyith in the same felde under Casevyke hedge, for the terme of her lyff; and she for that same to kepe the lighttes before the ymage of our Lady in the churche of Barham as I have done in tymys past. Also I will, aftyr her decease, that the churchewardyns for tyme beyng occupy the foresayd lande to the churche behoyff, and to fynde that light, as it is afore rehersyd, for ever. Also to the forsayd Johanne a pece of lande contenyng vj roodes, lying in the southfelde of Barham in a furlong callyd the Burrowe, for her lyff; and she for that same to offre every yere duryng her lyff in the parysh church of Barham the Thuresday in the fyrst hole weke of Lent iij messe penys, and to gyff to the ryngers a penny worth of brede and a gallan of ale; and aftyr

her decease, I wyll that the churchwardens for tyme beyng occupy the lande to the churche profet, kepyng that obbyt for ever, [etc.]. To our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To my curate, the vicar of Berham, my best qwyk good for to pray for my soule and set my name in hys beed rowle. To the high alter for tithys negligently forgotten halff a seme barly. To the Sepulcre light halff a seame barly. To the reparacion of the church bellys viijd. To the Trinite light viijd. To the reparacion of the church of Barham ijs. To the convent of the abbay in Burne to pray for my soule iijs. iiijd. To the churche of Barham a blew clothe to ber over the sacrament apon Corpus Christi day and other tymys convenient. To the churche of Stowe iijs. iiijd. To Thomas Day, my sonne in law, and to Johanne hys wyff, to the behoyff of Alice ther daughter, ij acres of freland beyng in the feldes of Barham, to thame and to ther heyres, payng to the lorde the chefe as it hath done in tyme past. To the iiiij orders of freris in Stanford, ich of the orders vs. to syng or cause to be done for my soule and them that I am bounde to pray for and all crysten saulys ij trentallys, that is for to say, ich of the forsayd orders di. a tren-tall. To John Cok of Barham an acre of barly and a roode of whete lying by hys owne lande, and halff an acre of pease. To Thomas Cooke, my godsun. To John Hawkman the yonger. To Alice Hawkman. To Robert Hymers, the parysh clerke of Barham, for to pray for me, on schepe. The resydewe of my goodes to Alice my wyff and to Thomas Day, my sonne in lawe, and to Johanne my daughter, wyff unto the fore-sayd Thomas, whome I orden my executors; and William Lambert to be supervysor. Thes wytnes, sir Roger Harker, vicar of Berham; William Lambert of the same towne; John Coocke; William Towe; Robert Hymers; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Stanford, 2 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF HENRY FYSHER [OF PINCHBECK].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 196.]

24 June, 1530. I Henry Fysher off Pynchbek. My body to be buried within the church yerde of Pynchbek. To the high alter vjd. To every alter in the sayd church iiijd. To our Lady gylde ijs. To the church warke xxid. To the church warke of Lincoln vjd. To saint Catheryns iiijd. I will have disposyd at my buryall day xiijs. iiijd; also at my vijth day iijs.; at my xxxty day iijs. To Thomas Kyrtone. To John Galthorpe. To Thomas Galthorpe the sone of the sayd John. To John Fysher, my brother, dwellyng in Holbeche my marbyll cote. To William Fysher, his brother, dwellyng in Flete. The rest of my goodes I gyff them [to] Agnes my wyff, whome I make my executrice, with John Galthorpe and Thomas Sparroy. Thes being wytnes, Thomas Hyll, prest; Thomas Bray; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Freston, 11 August, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT WYLSION OF OWRESBY.
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 175.]

24 June, 1530. I Robert Wylyson of Owresby. My body to be buried in the church yerde of saynt Martyn of the sayd Owresby. I wyt to the high alter for tithys forgotten xijd. I wyt to the sayd kyrke

warke xijd. I wyt to our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To every order of frerys that I am broder too ijd. To Thornton kyrke iiijd. To Helene Sqwyer. I wyt to William Wellys. To saynt Loy light a li. of wax mayd in a serge that it may be so usyd with the stok that longes to hym. I will have a messe done at *Scala celi* at frerys for my soule, and iiiij messys in my parysh kyrke. I wyt to my daughter ij chylder at Thornton. I wyt to my daughter sonne at Owresby. To Dianes my wyff all the resyde of my goodes excepte she take another husband; and yf she mary, then I will that she have but halfe, and the other halffe to be devydyd betwyxte my ij doughters, Halyson Browne and Margaret Barker. And yff my wyff take no husband, I will that she gyff them parte of the goodes at her last ende; wch Dianes I make my executrix. And I will that William Browne and Thomas Barker, my sonnys in law, be supervisors. Thes men to wytnes, John Lammyng, prest; William Wellys; William Peche; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Market Rasen, 5 July, 1530. Administration committed to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS TONNERDE [OF KIRTON IN HOLLAND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 197.]

30 June, 1530. I Thomas Tonnerde of Kyrton in Holand make my testament concludyng with my last will. My body to be beryd in the church yerd of the appostels Peter and Paule. And that for my mortuary that the law dothe require. To the high alter for tithys forgotten viijd. To every alter in the same church ijd. To the reparacions of the sayd church viijd. To the reparacions of our mother church of Lincoln iiijd. To the orphans [folio 197d.] iiijd. To ych of my chyldren. To Richard, William, Thomas, Xp'of'er and John my sonnes. To Agnes my daughter a calffe, and att the day off her mariage to be delyveryd by the handes of her mother iijs. iiijd. To Robert Fyshe, my godbarne. Resydue of my goodes to my wyff, whome I make my executrice. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Ashley; Wylliam Drawswerd; Wylliam Taly; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Freston, 11 August, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. GOODWYN [OF THEDDLETHORPE ALL SAINTS].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 321.]

2 July, 1530. I William Goodwyn of Thedylthorp make this my last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of All Halloys of Thedylthorp. To the high alter iiijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the crosse of Thedylthorp ijd. To the warkes of Thedilthorp viijd. To s^t Helene of Thedylthorp iiijd. To s^t Augustyn Freres of Grymesby xxd. for v massys. To Thomas my sonne. To Margaret Fowler. To Agnes my daughter. The resydue of my goodes to Margaret my wyff and William Genyll, her fader, that they may dispose it for the helth of my soule and all my frendes soulys, [etc.]. Thes wytnes, William Lyestrop; Robert Goodwyn; George Wouer; and other mo.

Proved before P., at Tottyll, 13 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. LAFELDE [OF SPILSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 319.]

4 July, 1530. I Thomas Lafelde of Spylesby make my testament. My body to be buryed in the church of st Jamys of Spylesby. To my mortuary that the law will require for to do. To our Lady of Lincoln xxd. To the sacrament xijd. To the communne light xijd., and to the yongmens light xijd., and to the maydes light xijd. To Thomas my sonne v marke, [etc.]. To Isabell my daughter v marke, [etc.]. To Robert Bawdyng, Alyson Haldon, Auya Bawldyng, John Haldon, Thomas Pynson the yonger, Thomas Carver, Thomas Whetley, and Auya Schepey. To Avys my wyff my house in Spylesby her lyff; [remainder] to Richard my sonne; [remainder] to the next heyres foloyng. To the enamelyng vjs. viijd. To John Lafelde of Parteney vj yerdes of violet of yerde brode. To the helpyng of the church off Spylesby vjs. viijd. I make sir William Haldon my supervisor, and he to have for hys labor iiiij yerdes of muster-devillys. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to Auya my wyff, whome I make my executrix for to dispose for my soule and all crysten soulys. Thes men beryng wytnes, sir Thomas Peper; Robert Bawdyng; Thomas Carvar; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Partney, 11 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS WYLKYNSON [OF ULCEBY NEAR SPILSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 215.]

4 July, 1530. I Thomas Wylkynson off Vlceby makes my testament. My body to be buryd in the churchyerde of All Haloys in Vlceby. I gyff in the sted of my mortuary xxd. I gyff for my forgottyn tithys viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln ijd. To our Lady off Walsyngham iiijd. To the good roode in Boston iiijd. To st Fryday in Boston ijd. To Jenet my wyff. To John my sone my wayns and ploughys with all their attyrementes that longes to them, [etc.], and the copy of my house aftyre hys mother be maryed; and then I will that John my brother have my sonne and hys wytworde; and he to make reparacions and pay the lorde hys rente; and when my sone is xvij yeris of age I will that my brother shall deliver him hys copy and hys wytworde. To Thomas my sone xxs., [etc.]; and Robert my brother to have the kepyng of hym and hys bequestes; and when he is xvij yeris of age then to delyver the sayd wytworde to the sayd Thomas. To Richerd my sonne xxs., [etc.]; and hys mother to have hym and hys wytworde to he be vij yeris of age. To George my sonne xxs. owt off hys mother wytworde, and to be delyveryd when he is x yeris olde. To Agnes my daughter xiijs. iiijd.; Henry Margyson to have her and it to she be xvij yeris of age. To Isabell my daughter xxs., [etc.]. To the gyldyng under the roode lofte iijs. iiijd. To every on of my godchylde iiijd. I will have ij trentallys done for my soule and all my benefactors soulys; and the prest to have for hys labor xxs. To Laurence Smyth and Robert Wylkynson, whome I make my executors that they may dispose my goodes for the helth of my soule and to haue for ther labors ether off them vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, John Gybon, prest; Michel Smyth; William Smyth; John Dandy; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Alford, 6 October, 1530.

[THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD HARRYS OF [R]YFFHAM¹].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 41d. *Collated with another copy at folio 3d.*]

5 July, 1530. I Rychard Harris, seke of body, makes my will. My body to be beried in that pariche quear as death takes me. I bequest to owr Ladi warke of Lincoln ijs. To the church of Refam xijd. I will that my wife have the iij part of all maner of goodes which is myn and heres by the way of mariage. I will that she be my executor of the resydue of my goodes for to order and dispose to the honar of God and the health of my saule; and to certify the treweth thes men folowynge be witnes, sir Robart Wilkinson, vicar of Refam; Jhon Hopkin of the same town; Jhon Biscope; and Thomas Dene of the same.

Proved before L., in the church of Netilham, 20 March, 1530-1.
[Administration granted to the executrix.¹]

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN GAUNTE OF PYNCHBEK.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 194.]

6 July, 1530. I John Gaunte of Pynchbek makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of Pynchbek. To the high alter ther iiijd. To every alter in the sayd church ijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the orphans of st Catheryns ijd. To Johanne my daughter a chamber in the yerde wher I dwell, to sett in her stuff to tyme she be maryed; also on ambre, all the payntyd clothys in the hall, a chafyng dyshe, my wyff best beades, [etc.]. To Robert my sone the cotage that I dwell in, and to the heyre male off hys body; [remainder] to my ij doughters and to ther heyres; [remainder] to the heyres generall of Robert my sonne; and yff my sonne and my doughters dye withoutt heyres, I will it be solde by the churche graues of Pynchbek then beyng. The resydue of goodes I will they be evenly devydyd emong my iij chyldren. All other thynges I putto the discretion of Robert Gaunte and John Yong, whome I make my executors. Thies wytnes, William Bewyk, prest; Geffrey Robynson; and Alexander Proytte.

Proved before P., at Freston, 11 August, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF SIR RICHARD GRAY [OF SOUTH ELKINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 218d.]

6 July, 1530. I sir Richard Gray, vicar of Southelkyngton makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the chyrch of All Halloys of Sowthelkynton. I wyt to the chyrch aforesayd xijd. I wyt to our Lady of Lincoln ijs. iiijd. I wyt to Kesaunder Dowse, Agnes Dawsson, and John Lylborne on lamme and on qwyte each. To Gregory Gray. I wyt to sir John Gray, sir Henry Gray, and William Gray, whome I make my executors to dispose for the helthe of my soule, ich on of them xxs. Resydewe of my goodes to Walter Gray. Thes beryng wytnes, John Wyndyll; William More; and Thomas Hawyll.

Proved before P., at Louth, 7 October, 1530. Administration granted to William an executor, the other executors renouncing.

¹ Supplied from folio 3d.

[WILLIAM HOLDEN OF DARBY IN THE PARISH OF BURTON STATHER.]
 [STOW, 1530-52, f. 28o.]

6 July, 1530. I William Holden of Darby within the parish of Burton, seke in body, orden and make this my last will and testament. My body to be buried within the church of Burton. To the vicar in restitucion of tithes for getton, if any be, in discharge of my conscience, and four my mortuar' oon kowe, the statute to the contrary made notwithstanding. To the church warke of Burton xxvj., excepte and reserued oute of the same the costes of my sepultur, which xxvj. the said church [*folio 28od.*] of Burton owgh me. To the werkes of our mother church of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To either howse of the Freres of Grymsby xijd. To the prior and convent of Goykwell iijs. iiijd. To Agnes Walkar, Jane Clowsse and Agnes Anderson. To Alice my wiff and to Robert my son my ferme in Derby duryng my yeres. To Alice my wiff my landes and tenementes in Wynterton, Halton, Burton, and Byrton Stat', to have and holde for terme of her lyff; and after her decesse, I giff [the premises] in Wynterton and Halton to Thomas my son, to have and to holde to hym and to his heires for ever mor. Residue of goodes to Alice my wiff, and Robert and Thomas my children, which I ordeyn my full executours. Also I will that Petur Anderson and John Closse be supervisours. Theys men beyng wittenes, John Closse; John Colynson of Flexburgh; William Anderson of the same; with other mo.

[*No probate act.*]

[ROBERT SELTORN OF ALKBOROUGH.¹]

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 1. *Collated with another copy at ff. 39-40d.] which is referred to in the footnotes as A.*

6 July, 1530. I Robert Seltorn of Alkbarow makes my testament. My body to be beryed in the paryche churche off Awkebarrowe in the qwere before the ymage of sanct John the Baptyst, wythe my mortuary accordyng to the new statute ther of mayd. I wyll that for my beryng in the qwere and for my forgoten thythes vjs. viijd. I wyl that my executours make a peny dole at the day of my beryall, and the preste that synges the hyght masse xijd., and the deken and subdeken to eyther of them viijd., and to every preste besyde vjd. To ower Lady warke of Lincoln, xld. I wyl that xij pore men have xiij gownes blake² frese, and every pore man to have iij yerdes off iiiij or vd. a yerde, and they to pray for my sawle the day off my beryal, and they to have ther gownes mayd yff it may be possyble. To the chyrche of Awkebarrow two thorches. I bequethe to the hyght awter off Wynterton for forgoten thythes xld. To the sayd Wynterton churche a vestment sorteable to the cope of blewe velvet, and my marke to be sette in ytt. To my brother Roger my best gowne wthy my best dubleett and jaket and my best hoyse and bonet, wthy myn best rynges off golde and my best standyn salt wthy the coveryng off sylver and di' gylt; also a fether bede wthy the second coveryng and althynges belongyng unt' yt as yt standes. To my brother Daltre my foxurryd gowne, wthy a satten

¹ Supplied from A. ² blaken in A.

dublett and a chamlet jakett. To my syster Esabell Daltre two mylke kyee. To George Daltre a hundredth fellys by the dyscretion off my executors. To my brother Roger the resydewe of my yers that I have in the parsonage off Awkbarow [folio 1d.] as apperyth by the indenturs there off mayd betwyxt the prior off Spaldyng and me. To our Lady churche off Beuerley, where I was borne, a howse in the mareer¹ rawe that gyffes vijs. by the yere, laytt in the holdyng of John Wardore, glover; and I wyl that the church masters of the same church cause yerely a dirige with a messe of requiem to be song for my soull and for my faders saull and for all criston saulles, and a peny to be offerd at the messe bi the Trinite prest. Also I will that all my dettes be paid within a yere and a day after my departyng, and also my faders dettes that cane be provyd dettable. I will that every godbarne that I have, both man and woman, where so ever the be, if the be on liff, and will come for it, to have xijd. or elles a yow lame. To the churche and parichoners of Alkbarow a melke cow, and she to be letten to the most profytte frome yere to yere, and the increse to go to saynt John the Baptiste gilde and saynt Petur gilde, so that the church masters and the brethern cause a dirige and messe to be done with the prest and clarke every yere ons vpon the day of my departinge, and to ringe ouer the nyght. To every order of freers in Beuerley iijs. iiijd. to sey messe and dirige for me. I will that my broder Roger have all such landes that I bought of hym in Beuerley to hym and to his heres, and he to enyoe the same accordinge to his first tityll and gifte of his fader. Also all such landes as I bought of my broder William to the said Roger for terme of his liff; and after his decesse the said landes to remayn accordinge to the will of my fader, that is to sey, to John Silsterne² my broder and his heres. And the residew of my guddes I giffe and bequeathe them [folio 2] unto Thomas Portyngton and Roger Sylstern, whome I orden my trew and faithfull executors, and the to dispose the same accordinge to there gud discretions. And the disposition of all my landes in Wynterton and Resby in the countie of Lincoln wherin I enfeoffed Thomas Portyngton, Walter Grymmeston, Edward Forman, Thomas Grymmeston, and Henry Portington, as bi a dede to them theroff maide, wch berys date the first day of Aprile, the xxj yere of kinge Henry the eight, as in the same dede more playnly doth appere, I will that the said Thomas Portyngton and other his coiffeoffers, there heres and assignes shall stand and be feoffes in trust of and in the said landes and other the premisses comprised in the said dede of feoffment to the intent that there be an honest prest founde withe the issues and profyttes of the same landes bi the space of xx^{ti} yeres; and the said prest to syng in the church of Alkbarow, and to have durynge the said xx^{ti} yeres vjl. bi yere, parcell of the same; and the said prest to sey dirige dalye for my saull, Elizab³ my wifffes saull, my fader and moder saulles, and all my frendes saulles, duringe the said terme. And the residew of the said landes in Wynterton and Reesby³ duringe the said xx^{ti} yeres to go to reparacions and upholdinge of the said landes and tenementes, and iff eny⁴ thinge remayn that it be disposyd bi myne executors bi there gud discretion for the helth of my saull, Elizab³ my wifffes saull, and all criston saulles; and after the ende of the said xx^{ti} yeres, then I will that the land in Wynterton and

¹ Rectius Marcer as in A.² Sylsterne in A.³ Resby in A.⁴ every in A.

Reesby remayn to [folio 2d.] Roger Sylsterne, my broder, his heres and assignes for evermore. Thies men berynge witnesse, syr Robert Pynder, his confessor; syr John Mell, preste; Edward Forman, esquier; George Forman, gent; Edward Edryngton, yoman; Robert Abbot, gent'; Thomas Vty, yoman; withe other moo.

Proved before L., 8 February, 1530-1, in the cathedral church of Lincoln. Administration granted to the executors, to Thomas Portyngton personally, and to Roger Sylstern, in the person of sir John Bateman, priest, his proctor.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD COKE [OF COWBIT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 313.]

9 July, 1530. I Richard Coke of Cowbyt within the parysh of Spaldyng make my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of the privilege place of Cowbyt. To the high alter of Cowyt [sic] iiijd. To Cowbyt churche xijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the pore chylder of st Catheryns ijd. To Grace my wyff ij pecys of grounde lying in Mylne Gate, to her and her heyres, to gyff and sell. I will on preste syng a trentall in Cowbyt chyrche for my soule and all crysten soulys, and that he have for hys labor xs. To John my sonne on skere, on tramyll, and on fyll. To John Mason. To William Mason. Resydue of goodes to the disposicion of Grace my wyff, which I orden executrix, with the discret oversyght of sir Thomas Sheryff. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Sheryff; William Mason; and John Mason.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 6 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. BURTON [OF WADDINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 362.]

11 July, 1530. I William Burton of the parysh of Wadyngton makyth my wyll. My body to be buryed in the church yerde. To the high alter for my tithys negligently forgottyn xijd. To my chyldren ichon of them a cawffe. To Elizabeth my wyff my house with the purtenaunces to the terme of her lyff; [remainder to] John my sonne; and yff they fortune all to departe owt of this worlde then I will that it shall remane to the church of Wadyngton, doyng yerly iijs. iiijd. for [folio 362d.] my soule, my father soule, and all crysten soulys. Also I will that the sayd churche shall have my yeres in Mere felde. The reste of my godes I gyff to Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executrix; and my uncle, William Alan, to be oversear. Wytnes, John Sower; and sir Robert Johnson, curat; with other.

Proved before P., at Braunceton, 19 April, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN LEUELEY OF WEST LOUGHTON.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 180d.]

1530. I John Leueley of Westloughton makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of Loughton. I wyt to the high alter of Loughton iiijd. I wyt to our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. I wyt to the fatherles chylder at saynt Catheryns ijd. I wyt

to Marget Herde. I wyt to my chylder William, Richerd, John, Robert and Margaret, ychon of them on kowe, [etc.]. I wyt to the vicar of Loughton xs. for to pray for me. I wyt ichon of my servandes Robert and Robert, Ame Holand, and Jenet. To my brother Richerd. I charge my wyff that she delyver my chylder thys that I gyff them or ever she be mayd suer with any man. I wyt to my wyff Alice Leueley on acre of land lying in Ewarby felde. The resydew of my goodes not wyt I gyff to Alice my wyff, whome I make my executrice, to dyspose as she thynkes most expedyent for the helth of my soule. Wytnes heroff, William vicar of Loughton; Richard Leueley; John Turner; and Thomas Pratte; and others.

Proved before P., at Sempyngham, 11 July, 1530. Administration granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILL' PARKER OF BOSTON, SMYTH.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 193.]

15 July, 1530. I William Parker, smyth, of Boston, makyth thys my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of st^t Botulphe of Boston. To the high alter of st^t Botulphe for my tithes, oblacions, and offerynges negligently forgotten iijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln, and the warkes of the same iiijd. To the faterles chyldren at st^t Catheryns wythout the barres of Lincoln iiijd. To my mortuary aftyr the laudable custome and maner of Godys lawys and the kynges lawes to be accustomyd. To Agathe my wyff my mesuage and house that I dwell in, lying in Bargate, duryng her lyff; and the sayd Agathe my wyff to kepe a yerly obbyt and yere day in the chaple and gylde of our blesyd Lady of Boston, situat and founded wythin the chaple of our forsayd blesyd Lady wyth vjs. viijd. rent of the sayd mesuage; wherupon I will that the forsayd Agathe and her assignes shall gyff vs. to the prestes and clerkes accordyng to the order of the church, and xx.d. to be gyffyn in almose emonges the pore people. And aftyr the decease of my wyff I will that the alderman of our Lady gylde with hys successors and hys cobrethern be putte in possession, and be seasyd of the mesuage to them, ther heyres and assignes for ever; and they to kepe a yerly obyt, aniversarie, and yer day for evermore; that is to say, that the alderman and hys cobrethern wyth ther successors do dyspose the forsayd vjs. viijd. in maner as is afore rehersyd. And yff they will not kepe the sayd obbyt, than I wyll that my executors take upon them to sell the mesuage, and to dispose it for the well of my soule. [folio 193d.] To Alice Ryveley, my madyn, v sylver sponys, on mazer sylver and gylte, a sylver pece, on dosyn pewter vessyll, iiiij brasse pottes, the on pott bullan metell, on spruse cobard, on brasyn morter with pestyll, on chafyng dyshe, ij pewter pottes, on laketh a lide, on coarse quylte, on grene chyste, on cofer, ij threne chares on of the more a nother of the lesse, vj candylstykes ij of the best and ij of the secund best and ij of the myddell sorte, vj potagers, and on table. To Isabell Shalok and to Catheryne Doodycke. To sir Richard Parker, my broder. To sir William Atkynson, prest. To William Parker of Donyngton. I will that Alice Revelay, my mayden, be at the rewle of my executors to she cum to the age of xxj^{ty} yeres, [etc.] The resydew of my goodes I gyff to the disposicion of sir Richerd Parker, prest, and William Wardnall

of Boston, whome I orden my executors; and Richer Kelleyt to be survivor, they for to dispose my forsayd goodes to the pleasure of God and proffyt of my soule. Thes beyng wytnes, sir John Markeby, sir John Bayly, prestes; Richerd Kelleyt; Richerd Marshall; Robert Botree; with other moy. I will that my stabyll that is in the abbot of Louthe Parke lane be solde be my executors with the advise and counsell of Richard Ogle, and he to have for hys advise in the sale off the same for hys paynes xs.

Proved before P., at Boston, 11 August, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

[THE TESTAMENT OF EDWARD WATSON OF LIDDINGTON, CO. RUTLAND.]

[L.C.C., 1558, iii, f. 32.]

15 July, 22 Henry VIII, 1530. I Edward Watson of Lidington, co. Rut', mak my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the chauncell off the parishe churche of Lidington if¹ me to dye nygh unto Lidington; and if yt fortune me to dye far¹ I will my body be buried in the parishe churche wher yt happ me to depart¹ wōrdle, [etc.]. I will my best horse to the curate where I shall departe. I¹ off Lidington in recompence of my duety undoen and to pray for my s¹ the body off the same churche off Lidington for reparacion therof xls.¹ ther vjs. viijd.; and to the torches ther vjs. viijd.; and to the sepulcre¹ viijd. To the cath. churche off Lincoln in recompence of my duety undoen¹ the churche or chauncell where yt shall happen me to be buried for my burial¹ as the custome is honestly to be paid. I will that myn executores cause an hole trigtall off masses to be said in the churche where I shalbe buried upon the daye off my buriall if that so may be, orels the next daye or days folowing. And lykwise as many at the monythes mynd, and as many at my yeres day. And I will ther be spente at the day of my buriall and gyven to prestes, clarke, and poer people xxl.; and at my monythes mynd xl.; and at my yere day xl. And I will that immediately after my buriyng myn executoires fynd an honest secular preist to pray for my sawlle in the churche where I shalbe buried, and all the sowles of all them that I have faren better for, by the space off oon hole yere, having for his salary vjl.; and he to say daily that yere placebo and dirige, and dayly masse if he can be so disposed at the lest v or vj tymes every wek to say masse.

To my sister, Janett Peerson, xl., and to my sister, dame Sibbell, at saint Katerens iiiijl.; and I will that my wifft owt of such landes as I haue willed to hyr doo pay to my said sister Sibbell xijs. iiijd. yerely during there two lives. To Richard Brian, my cosyn, iiiijl. To Johan Smyth, hys sister, xxs.; and to his sister, maried, at Kyrkham in Yorkshire xxs. To Mylys Parkinson at London vjl. xiijs. iiijd.; and to my cosy, Agnes Smyth, in London xxs.; and to hyr sister my cosy Isabell in London xxs. To Margaret Erington and Helen Fox, my sister dowghtters. To sir John Williamson the yongar to pray for my sowll xxs.; and to sir John Williamson thelder xxs. To John Panter, my seruaunte xx shepe oon of my hakney horses and in mony lijs. iiijd. To John

¹ A piece has been torn off the right hand edge of folio 32.

Winterbourn oon of my gude furred gownnes, oon of my dowblettes of sylk, oon of my riding cotes, oon of my hakney horsis, xxx gude shepe, the bed I lye in my self beyng in my chambre at London, and in redy money vjl., in full recompense of all thinges bitwixt hym and me if he will so accept yt, els this bequest mad to hym to be void ; and under the same maner I forgyve hym all suche money as he aweth me. To Thomas Webster, my seruaunte, oon of my furred gownnes, on of my dowblettes of sylk, [etc.]. [folio 33] To John Lee, and John Fowler my seruauntes. To euery of my other seruantes, men and woman, besides all ther dueties xs. and to every of my god children that will come for them ij shepe, and to euery pore howshold in Lidington after the discrecion off myn executores xjd.

I will that sone after my deth myn executoures distribute emonges the pore people at Sledmare, where I was born, iijl. vjs. viijd., and to the brethern and sistern at Kingwoldgraves emong them xxs. To every hows off freers in Stamford, Leicester, and Northampton xs. To the priour and convent of Laund, the priour and chanons of Brok', the priour and chanons of Laund, the abbot and convent of Oselueston, and the priour and convent of Fynneshed xxs. apiece. To the nunes of Rowell vjs. viijd., the priour of Bradley xs., the priour and convent of Sempingham xxs. To the nunes of Sempingham xxs. To the abbasse and convent of de Lapray besides Northampton xxs., and to the nunes at Stamford, xs., and to the priour and convent of Newested besides Stamford, xs., and to the priour and convent of Newested vpon Ancolme xxs. I pray that in every of thies howses may be song a dirigye and masse for my sawl, my ffather, my mother, my lord Smyth, my lord Atwater, and Master William Smyth, and Master Robert Toneys sowles, all my children sowles, and for my brother Simon and William Watson sawles. To the churches of Vppingham, Bisbrok, Seyton, Thorp by the Water, Calcot, and Stok, every of them vjs. viijd.

To Henry Watson, my soon, at Newested, xxl., and will that he haue no moer of my guddes and landes. To Edward my soon cl. To Kenelme my soon cl. To Barbara, Mary, Brigyt, and Susan my doughters cl. each. To the child in my wives belly cl. Besides that I bequeth to Edward my soon my basen and ewer off silver, my best chayn of gold, my best bed of down, with best coueryng, best fustians, ij best shaving clothes, my iern bond cofer at London, my bag with sylver ringes, my sperver of sylk, my signet of gold, and j of my best gownnes, [etc.]. To Kenelm my soon my greet standing cup with couer gyldt at London, my joyned table of waynscot, my best iren bond chest at Lidington, [etc.]. To my gude wiff, Em Watson, ccl., and all my corn, my mylche bestes, all cart, plows and cart horses, all my wood in the parsonage and all my howshold stuff, [etc.], and my leaces off Brok close and the parsonage of Lidington. And I will that all my other plate be deuyded evenly bitwixt my wiff and Edward and Kenelme my sonys. I will that Edward my soon have my leaces of the parsonage of Gidding and of the close at Baggrave ; and Kenelme my soon my leace of the parsonage off Multon ; and Edward the leace of Tatersall landes in Lutton ; and John Wynterbourn the leace off the parsonage of Stonysby ; John Panter the leace of the lordship of Lindon. And if enny of my children deparate owt off this wourdle bifour they haue receyved their said bequestes

into their awen kepinges, then I will the on halff off their said bequestes of moveables be deuyded emonges myn other children then lyving, the thyrd parte ther of I will my wiff haue, and the iiijth parte therof to be disposed in gude warkes for the sowles above written. And if enny of my children [folio 34] entre into religion, I will the on halff off all moveables bequethed to them be deuyded emonges myn other children the third part theroff to the hows they shall so entre into religion in and the iiijth to be disposed as biforsaid for the sowles bifour rehersed. I will that myn executoures owt of suche rentes as I have apoynted and willed them to receyve pay yerely to John Winterbourn xls., to John Panter xxvjs. viijd., to Brian Barker xxvjs. viijd., to John Fowler xxs., and to Thomas Webster xls., my seruauntes during the space of ten yeres next after my departure. To the churche of Lidington all my stok of ledder and bark beyng in my tan hows, and also the use off all my said tan hows so long as the same stok shall contynewe in yt. And I will that with the rentes theroff be found a preist to pray for my sawll and the sowles above wrytten, and to teche poer mens children, having yerely for his stipend vj*l.*; that preist to be put in and owt alway at my wifes pleasur during hir liff; and afterward by myn heires and the viccar and churchewardons off Lidington; so that myn heires be alway of counsaill theroff. And the overplus off the yerely rentes off that tan hows, the preist found, the stok mayntened, and reparacions made, I wilbe disposed yerely in mending highe ways and other gud warkes abowt Lidington for the sowles above written, as my wiff in hir liff and afterward myn heires shall think best. And this to contynewe so long as enny parte of the said stok will endure. And when the prest can no longer be found, nether of the rentes nor of the stok, then I will the tan yard retourn and go with my fre hold therunto next adioyning, for owt of that I tok yt. And the copi holdes to be sold and disposed for the sowles above wrytten by thadvise of my wif and heires.

I will that every of my sonys have ij of my best bows and all my shaftes, and the residew of my bows to be devyded emonges my servauntes. To my brother in lawe, Henry Sapcot, my chamlet cott, oon of my gownnes furred with foynes, oon of my best voisins; and to every of his children vjs. viijd. My wife to have the custody and guyding of my children and all their gudes and landys so long as she lyveth sole; and if she will mary ageyn, or will not kepe their bequestes, then I will that other myn executoures deliuer all my children bequestes of guddys into subtanciall religiouse howses or colledges by wrytinges mad by lerned counsell ther to be savely kept till they come to full ages; and myne other executors to have the guydinge of my childer and ther landes to the cume to lawfull age of xxj yeres.

I will that all my euidences and a true copy of this my testament be put into a suer cofer under ij or iiij kays, and set into Fodringay Collidge or some other suer place, their to be kept till my children come to full age, and then iche of them to haue the euidences of the landes willed unto them, and euery of them a copi of this my last will. I mak myn executoures my wiff Em Watson, my cosyn Mylis Parkyn' of London, Henri Sapcot and sir Laurance Hodgeson vicar of Lidington; and Mr Doctour Raynes and Thomas Waldram gent. to be supervisoures; and to euery of myn executoures taken upon them theexecucion of my will

I gyve xxl. for their laboures and their costes, and eyther of my super-visoures for their costes xls., [etc.]. [folio 35] I will that my wif Em Watson haue all my maners, landes and tenements in Muche Gidding and Lutton in Huntingdon and Northampton shires ; and all my maner, landes and tenements, in Garthorp in Leic'shier ; and all my landes and tenements in Lidington, Seyton, and Thorp in the countie of Rutland, both frehold and copi hold, for terme of hir lif ; so that she hold hyr therwith contented without enny further clayme to enny other parte of my landes, either be title of inioyntour and dowrye. I will that myn executoures shall receyve the rentes of all my maners, landes and tene-ments in Bloneham parishe, Rothersthrop, Rokingham, and Dingley ; and of all my landes in Buckland whiche I bowght of Mr Dormer, called the Horn, towardes the perfourmance of my will vnto suche tyme as my childre and other to whom the said landes be willed be of full age of xxj yeres ; and lykwise my executoures to have the revenues to the same use of all suche landes as I have willed to my wiff in case she departe bifour my said children and other to whome the same landes awght by this my will to discend be of their full ages. And in case myn executoures receyve enny moer then will perfourme my testament, I will they dispose yt for the helth of my sawll in charitable warkes.

I will that Edward Watson, my soon, when he cummys to lawfull age haue the lordship off Buckland that I bought of my lord of Rutland, and the maner of Knypton that I bought of Mr Stonysby, and after deth of his mother and my will perfourmed, all my maners, landes and ten'tees in Lutton, Muche Gidding, Garthrop, Rokingham, Dingley, and Rothersthrop, to hym and the heires of his body for euer ; [remainder] to Kenelme my soon and to the heires of his body ; [remainder] to Em Watson, my wif, for terme of hir liff ; [remainder] to the child nowe that she goth with, if he be a boy, and to his heirs of his body ; els to my dowghters and the heires of their bodies ; and for defaute of suche issue, the remayndour of my landes in Buckland to my cosyn Mylis Parkyns in London and his heires in ffee ; and the remayndour off my maners and landes in Muche Gidding and Lutton to my cosyn Richard Brian and his heires in fee ; and the remayndour off all my maner and landes in Garthrop to my cosyn William Brian and his heires for ever in fee ; and the remayndor of all my landes in Rokingham to John Wynterbourn and Thomas Webster, my clarke, for terme of their lyves and after to be sold and disposed for my soull ; and the remayndour of my landes in Dingley to John Panter for terme of his lyff, and after to be sold and disposed for me and the sawles above written ; and the remayndour off all my landes in Roderthorp to Brian Barker, my seruunte, for terme of his lyff, and after to be lykwise sold and disposed ; and the remayndour of my landes in Knypton to my brother in lawe, Henry Sapcottes, to the intent he shall ther with found a chauntry in the churche of Lidington for my sowll perpetually to endure. I will that my soon, Kenelme Watson, when he cummys to lawfull age of xxj yeres, haue all my maners, [etc.], in Bollebrykill, Calcot, and Lytle Walton, and the maner off Mantels and, after my will be fulfilled, all my landes in the parishe of Bloneham, [folio 36] to hym and to the heires of his body ; the remayndour to Edward Watson, my son, and to the heires of his body ; the remayndour to the child in my wiffes belly, if yt be a boy, and theireis of his body ; the remayndour of the maner of Mantels to

the colledge of Brasen Nose in Oxford for ever, so that ouer and besides ther former noumber of fellows ther be euermore oon prest fellowe secular of Yorkshire bourn to pray for my sawlle and the sawlles above wrytten. And for defaute of issue of all my said sonys, I will the lordship off Bollebrykhill and all my landes in Calcot and Walton and in Silso be sold, and with the money therof a chauntry perpetuall to be founden in Lidington churche, and the residewe of the money therof cummyng to be disposed for the sawlles above written and in defaute of issue of my said sonys, I will that the prior and convent of Newested super Ancolme haue all my landes in Bloneham, and they for the same to say daily a masse for all the sawlles bifour rehersed. And after the deth of my . . .¹ and Thorp frehold . . .¹ son and to the heires of his . . .¹; and for defaulte of suche issue to Edward my soon and his heires of hys body; and for defaulte of suche issue to . . .¹ And if the child in my wyves body be not a boy or doo not lyve, then I will that after the deth of my wyff John Wynterbourn have my hows and yard land in Thorp, John Panter my hows and yard land in Lidington called Colstons, Brian Barker my hows and yard land that I bowght of Jerves, Thomas Webster my hows that Parr dwellith in, and John Fowler my cotage that Ete dwelleth in for ever.

[Folio 36a.]

Memorandum. 10 October, 22 Henry VIII, A.D. 1530. I Edward Watson addinge to my testament this scedall annexed, will that all such landys lyinge in the town and feldys of Knypton with there commodities, as I lately severally purchesyd of John Blake of Knypton, gent., and Thomas Wodford, gent., after my deth that Edward my son when he cummys to his age of xxij yeres shall haue to hym and to his heres of his body; [remainder] in like forme as I haue before bequeathed the maner of Knypton. I will that myn executors shall take the prouyttes and issues of all my maners, landes, [etc.], unto the tyme appoynted by this my will that my said sonnes shall haue my said landys and w^t the issues to pay my dettes and legacies and to performe this my will to this scedall annexed. They beyng witnesse, sir Laurenc Hogeson, vicar of Lidington; Henry Sapcott; George Swillington, gent'; William Smyth of Thorp Langton; John Wynterbourne; and Thomas Webster.

Proved with the codicil, 20 October, 1530, by the oath of Henry Sapcot and Miles Parkyn personally, and by the relict and sir Laurence Hogeson, clerk, in the person of John Wright, literate, their proctor. Administration granted, etc.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM GRAVE [OF COWBIT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 195d.]

18 July, 1530. I William Grave of Cowbyt within the parysh of Spaldyng orden and make my testament and last will. My body to be buryied in the church yerde of the privelege church off Cowbyt. To the high alter of Cowbyt vjd. To Cowbyt church xijd. To the parysh church of Spaldyng vjd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the pore chyldren of st Catheryns ijd. I wyll Catheryne my wyff have a pece of grounde that I bought of John Wright lying in Stonegate to

¹ A piece in the middle of folio 36 has perished.

her and her heyr [sic] assignes. I will Simon Grave, my brother have [my] keyndall cote. To Robert Lyke. To Alice my syster iijs. iiijd. I will that a prest syng for my soule, my father soule, my mother soule, and all crysten soulys in Cowbyt church the space of on quater of a yere. Resydwe off goodes to the dysposicion of Catheryne my wyff, wich I make my executrix, and Simon Grave, my brother, to be oversear. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Sheryff; Robert Ringholde; and George Alanson.

Proved before P., at Freston, 11 August, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HAWBURGH [OF CROFT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 203d.]

18 July, 1530. I John Hawborough of Crofte makes my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the church of All Haloys of Crofte. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To her warkes xijd. To the high alter in Crofte for tithys forgotten xijd. [folio 204] To the church for my buryall vjs. viijd. To the thre gyldes xijd. To the church warkes xijd. To the bellys xijd. To the iiiij orders of frerys in Boston ijs. viijd. To William Johnson of Waynflet on chyste bun with yren in the chamber. To John Cokson on cheyst in the house. To William Croxston. To every on of my godchylde xijd. To Alice Whytyng, my goddaughter. To Jenet Croxston, my daughter. To William Hawborough. I will that on prest do syng for my soule on halffe yere; and yff it may be borne off my goodes, I wyll that it shall be a hole yere. I will that Margaret my daughter and wyff of the sayd William Johnson of Waynflet, and Alice my daughter and wyff of the sayd John Cokson of Burgh, have all my housys and landes lying in Burgh and Sutton, and it to be devydyd in too partes by the sight of William Stevenson after the manar and custome of the lordschyp that it holdys uppon. To the churche of Sutton to the fyndyng of on lampe afore our Lady iijs. iiijd., upon thyd condiccion, that it remayn in the churchwardens handes so long as the said money doth indure, and they to se it founde. To on obbyt in the churche of Crofte ijs., and it to be spent in thys forme, that is to say, to the curat for messe and dirige vd., for the beade rolle iiijd., to the clerke ijd., to the sepulcre light iiijd., to the bellys iiijd., to the ryngers in brede and ale iiijd., and in waxe jd., yerly for the xij yeres next foloyng; and it to be takyn of my lande wiche before I have bequethyd to my ij doughters Alice and Margaret. The reste of all my housholde stuff I gyff to Agnes my wyff. The resydewe of my goodes [folio 204d.] to the disposition of the forsayd William Johnson and John Cokson, whome I make my executors, they to dispose them for my soule and all crysten soulys. To Wylliam Stevenson the elder xs. to be supervisor. Thes wytnes, sir Thomas Rysyll, curat; Richerd Hubbard; William Croxston; with other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 27 August, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM TORNEY [OF KINGERBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 222.]

19 July, 1530. I William Torney of Kynyerby makes my will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of Kynyerby. To the hy

alter for tithys forgotten xx*d.* To our Lady alter of Lincoln iii*j.d.* To the iii*j* orders of freris in Lincoln xv*j.d.* The resydewe of my goodes to be devydyd in thre partes, on parte to my chyldren an other parte to Helene my wyff, and the thyrde to myselffe. To Thomas my sone and Jenet and Secyll my doughters. Helene my wyff and Thomas my sone I make my executors for to dispose my parte for the well off my soule as they thynke best. Wytnes heroff, sir William Doughtye, vicar ; Thomas Wylson ; Robert Robson ; John Wellys ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Market Rasen, 12 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM MALTEBY OF BOSTON.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 180*d.*]

20 July, 1530. I William Maltby of Boston makes my wyll and last testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of saynt Botulphe of Boston. To the high alter x*j.d.* To our Lady of Lincoln v*j.d.* To our Lady warkes v*j.d.* To saynt Catheryne at Lincoln i*j.d.* To the vij martyrs gylde in Boston v*j.d.* To the whyte freris in Boston viii*d.* To the gray freris in Boston v*j.d.* To Richard Bowster my warkday dooblyt and my grene jaket. Resydewe of my goodes to Colette my wyff, whome I make my executrix. Thes beryng wytnes, sir Thomas Cersy ; Thomas Marre ; Peter Herryson ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Boston, 11 August, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BROWNE [OF HORBLING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 256.]

20 July, 1530. I John Browne of Horblyng, seke of body, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churchyerde of st^t Androy in Horblyng. To my mortuary accordyng to the acte and custome that now is. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln v*j.d.* To our Lady alter of Lincoln in oblacion v*j.d.* To the pore chylder of st^t Catheryns with owt the barre at Lincoln v*j.d.* To the hygh alter of st^t Androy in Horblyng for tithys forgottyn x*j.d.* To m^r prior of Sempyngham iijs. iii*j.d.* to be prayd for ; and to the canons of Sempyngham iijs. iii*j.d.* ; and to the nonnys off Sempyngham iijs. iii*j.d.* To John Browne, my sonne, a draught of habyll beasse, [etc.] and ii*j.l.* vjs. viii*d.*, also my house withall my lande that I bought after the decease of Marion my wyff ; and the sayd John to kepe for the house and lande for euermore or cause to be kepyd on yerly obbyt for my soule and all crysten soulys, and to gyff yerly to the vicar of Horblyng for hys dewtys x*j.d.*, and to dispose emong pore people after as hys power may performe. To Xp'ofor my sone too kye, ii*j.l.* vjs. viii*d.* To William Dayllys. To Maryon Dayllys. To everychon of my daughter chylder on lamme hogge. I will on habyll prest do syng for my soule and all my good frendes soulys for the space of on quarter of on yere. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Marion my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose for the well of my soule. Wytnes herof, sir Richard Baynton, the vicar ; Herry Atwyk ; William Somerbye ; and Robert Sygraft of Horblyng ; with moy.

Proved before P., at Sempyngham, 26 September, 1530. Administration granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. HOME [OF WADDINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 385d.]

23 July, 1530. I William Home of the parysh of Wadyngton makes my last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of Waddyngton. To the altare of the same churche for my tithys negligently forgottyn viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To Beatrix my wyff my house that I dwell in with the appurtenaunces thereto the terme of her lyff; [remainder] to Thomas and Robert my sonnys betwyxte them. The reste of my goodes to Beatrix my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose for my soule. Wytnes Thomas Brone; John Fowes, etc.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 23 March, 1532-3.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD DOBLEDAY [OF NORMANTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 258d.]

25 July, 1530. I Richerd Dobleday makes my testament and my last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Nicholes off Normanton. To the high alter xijd. To Normanton churche iijs. iiijd. and a quarter malte. To the churches of Carleton, st Margaret of Sudbroke, Ancastr', Hough, and Cathorp xijd. apiece. To the gylde of Cathorp xijd. To the iiij orders of freris of Lincoln every on of them xijd. To the freris of Newark a quarter of malte. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln viijd. To the freris of Grantham xijd. To my godchylde. To John Pechyll chylde. To Johanne my syster. To Thomas my sonne. To the freris of Boston a trentall of messys at *Scala celi*. I will that my goodes be devydyd in thre partes, on to my selffe, another to my wyff, and the thyrde to my chylde. I will that Agnes my wyff and William my sonne be my executors for to dispose for the helthe of my soule. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Edwarde Rodes; William Roke; Richard Roke; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Cathorp, 28 September, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN JAKSON [OF FRIESTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 201.]

25 July, 1530. I John Jakson of Freston makes thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryid in the church yerde of st Jamys in Freston. I bequeath for tithys and oblacions forgotten iiijd. To the church warkes of Freston iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To the ornamenteis off the high alter in Freston church ijd. To our Lady alter in the abbey church¹ ijd. To Thomas my sonne. Resydew off goodes to Helene my wyff, whome I orden my executrix. Thes wytnes, William Bowdy; Peter Clay; John Cokson; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Freston, 12 August, 1530.

[THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT BETTE OF ALKBOROUGH].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 280.]

26 July, 1530. I Robert Bette of Aucbarowe, seke of body, holl

¹ i.e. the mother church of Croyland, of which abbey Freston was cell.

of mynd, and goode of remembrans, makes thys my laste wyll and testymente in forme foloyng ; fyrist I beqwyethe my sawll to Gode allmyghtey, and to hys mother ower Lady Sanct Mary, and to all the holy compyny of hevyn ; and my body to be beryd within the paryssh chyrche of Sanct John the Bapteste of Aucbarow. For a trentyll of messes xs. To the hey aualter xijd. To ower Lady warke of Lyncowne xijd. To Mary my wyffe the hows that I dwell in, and a nother hows callyd Tallyor hows, wyth all that be longes to thaym, hyre lyffe ; and efter hyr dyesesse to John my sone. To Thomas my son on hows callyd Robyneson hows, and a nother callyd Westeredall hows, and a nother hows at the town hend, and a hows at Qwytune, with all the land that longes to thamme. To George my son on hows that Henry Westeredall dwelles in, with all the land and profettes that longes to it. To Esabell my dogther the hows that Esabell Monge dwelles in, with all the land that longes to it. To Thomas Monge, my seruand, a blake qwy holl heyr, and a yow scheype. To Alyce Waukere. To Agnes Withyson on rede qwy stryke. To Wylliam Nycolson, my scheype herd, on ewe lame. To George Clarke, my seruand. To John Bette, Lennard Bette, Dauyd Bette, and George Bette, my sonnaz, and Esabell Bett, my doyghter, to every on of thamme viijl. in steyd of ther chylde's parte and porson, and they to challyans no mor of no manere of goodes. Resydew of my goodes to Marye my wyffe and Thomas my son, qwom I make my executoures. I make my supervysores of my wyll, John Andersonne and Nycole Sanfeld. Thes beyng wyttnes, syr John Bateman, preste ; Wylliam Dekyn ; John Anderson ; Nycollys Sanfeld ; with other moy.

[*No probate act.*]

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS BRYAN [OF SWINESHEAD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 262.]

26 July, 1530. I Thomas Bryan of Swyneshed¹ make my testament concerning my last will. My body to be buried in the church of our Lady in Swyneshed. To the parson or the proctor vjs. viijd. To the high alter for tithys forgotten viijd. To every alter in the sayd church iiijd. To the warkman schyp of the Holy Gost in the sayd church iijs. To our Lady warke of the mother church of Lincoln viijd. To the fatherles chylder of st Catheryne next Lincoln ijd. To every order of frerys with in the towne of Boston iijs. iiijd. To st Cristofer light and the Mayden light in the church of Swyneshed iijs. viijd. I will that my executors bryng me honestly to the grunde, expendyng at my buryall day, viijth day and xxxth day, every on of them, xiijs. iiijd. To the prestes, clerkes, and other pore folkes in the church of Swyneshed. To Agnes my wyff iij acres of pasture grunde lying in the feldes of Kyrkton Holme next sowth fen dyke, now in the tenure of Thomas Marchaunte ; other iij acres of pasture grunde lying in the same feldes next the sayd fencyke, now in the tenure of Emot Marchaunt, for terme of her lyff. I wyll that aftyr my departyng Francis Bryan, my sone, haue ij acres of arable lande lying in the feldys of Kyrton Holme, next the hyll callyd Lokester Hyll ; also on acre arable lande lying in the same felde, next the lande of Hugh Ordyng and Richerd Kelsey, whic

¹ Probably identical with Thomas Bryan of Swynflete (L.R.S. v, 56).

the sayd Hugh and Richerd hathe bothe but on acre agane the forsayd Thomas Bryan now in the tenure of Richerd Cryer. I will that Frauncys my sonne [folio 262d.] haue the thyrd parte of the lande and rente wich I Thomas Bryan, Hugh Ordynge, and Richerd Kelsey deuydyth and partyth, late was the lande of Trowboke of Kyrton Holme, to the fyndyng and bryngyng up of hym in whose custody he is in. I will that Agnes my wyff haue the mansion with the halff acre of hempe lande lying under it, wich I dwell in, unto such tyme that Frauncys my sonne cum to the age of xvij yeris; and [then] I will the [premises] remane to hym, hys heyres, and hys assynges, holdyng of the chefe lord of the fee. And iff the sayd Frauncys departe or thatt he cum to the age of xxijth yeris, I will that [all the land and rent] remane unto Agnes Bryan, my daughter [at lawful age], her heyres, and assignes, holdyng of the chefe lord of the fee; [remainder] unto Agnes my wyff [for life]; [remainder as to the] iij acres of arable lande and the vj acres of pasture ground, with the thyrd parte of the lande and rente beforesayd, to the next heyres of my blode accordyng to the last willes of my ancestres therof mayd afore tyme; [remainder as to] the mansion with the di. acre of hempe land to the use of the church grevyes and wardens of Swyneshed and ther successors duryng the space of lxxxxixth yeris, yff the lawe will suffer it; and with the proffyt theroff cumyng I will that the kyrke grevyes kepe my obbyt solemply yerly in the parysh churche, expendyng therupon yerly vjs. viijd.; the resydewe of the rente of the mansion to remane to [folio 263] the most necessaryes of the sayd church; and aftyr the forsayd terme be cum and endyd, I will the mansyon be solde by the vice and mynde of the church graves and the most discretyst men of the sayd parysh, and the mony theroff cumyng be disposyd in charytable dedys within the church and towne of Swyneshed. To Isabell Crier, my servant, a stayke calffe the best of all my calvys. To Agnes Bryan, my daughter [under xv years] to her maryage xl. The resydue of goodes I gyff vnto Agnes my wyff. The sayd Agnes, Thomas Hall, and Richerd Cony I orden executors, with the supervision of m^r Thomas Elyse, merchaunt of Staple, gyffyng hym for hys good counsell aud helpe my blak gray horsse. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Garton, vicar ther; William Bennet; Roger Holyneder; John Stokes; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM NORTON OF ESTRASEN.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 177.]

1530. I William Norton of Estrasen orden and make my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of s^t Thomas the appostell in Estrasen. To m^r vicar for dyschargyng of my conscience and to pray for my soule xijd. To the hygh alter for tythys negligently forgotten iiijd. To our Lady warkes off Lincoln xxid. I wyll that William Rawlynson, my daughter sonne, have iijl. vjs. viijd. the wich I had delyveryd to me by obligacion of the chylde frendes, therfore I will that Richerd Holdworth have the money in hys custody to the aforesaid William be xvij yeris olde, and then to delyver to him nother mynyshyd nor incressyd. To Xp'of'er Rawlynson a yow and a lamme, and the forsayd Richerd Holdeworth to have kepyng therof to he be

xvij yeres olde. Resydewe of goodes to Jennet my wyff and Richard Holdworth, my sone, the wich I orden executors for to dispose for my soule and for to pay my dettes as they thynk most expedient for the helth of my soule. Thes beyng wytnes sir Xp'ofer Brumbie; John Fordyngton; Richard Clerke; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 26 July, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS LANGTON [ALIAS COCKE OF HAUGH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 214.]

31 July, 1530. I Thomas Langton otherways callyd Cocke, off Hawe, ordens and makes my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. To the high alter within the sayd monastery vjd. To our Lady of Walsyngham iiijd. To the church warke of Hawe, and to the high alter ther. I will that Alice my wyff haue my house in Hawe that I do dwell in, with all landes, [etc.], to the same belongyng within the townys and feldes of Hawe and Hotofte, to the terme of her lyff; [remainder] to John Langton, my sone, the elder, and to hys heyres of hys body; [remainder] to John Langton, the yonger, and to hys heyres of hys body. To John Langton the yonger, and to Elizabeth and Jenet my doughters [goods, which shall] be in the custody of Alice my wyff unto such tyme as John, Elizabeth, and Jenet come to xxj^{ty} yeres, or ellys be maryed. I make Alice Langton, my wyff, my executrix, she to pay my dettes and to minister the resydue of my goodes for the helthe of my soule as she shall thynke moste expedient. Thes wytnes, sir Robert Wade, parson of Welle; Henry Phylip of Hawe; Alan Wade; William Basse of Welle; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Alford, 6 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BASSETH [OF BARROWBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 253d.]

1 August, 1530. I John Basseth of Barroby, singylman, seke the body, make my will and testament. To be buried in the churche yerde of Barroby. I will that the parson haue vjs. viijd. yff it may be sparyd. To sir William Mayson, my goostly father, to pray for me iijs. iiijd. To Richerd my brother a cowe, [etc.]. To every on of my godchylldren a schepe as far as my shepe will goy. I will that ther be delte at my buryall to every man, woman, and chylde alpeny brede. I wyll that my brother Robert chylder haue my parte emonges them the wich my sayd brother bequest me in hys will; furthermore I will that the same power and trust that my brother, Thomas Raby, putt to me in gydying of hys chylder and ther partes I do putt it to Thomas Oleizett and to sir William Mayson to se them put furthe and ther partes off ther goodes to ther proffet. The resydewe of my goodes I do gyff to the sayd sir William and Thomas to cause a prest to syng for my soule and all my good frendes soulys as long as my money will extende as my speciaill trust is in them bothe. I do make the sayd sir William and Thomas to be my exec'. Thes beyng wytnes, John Jesope; sir William Mayson; Thomas Olezett; with others.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 22 September, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM TYMBERLAND [OF ANCASTER].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 254.]

1 August, 1530. I William Tymerland' of Ancastr', husbandman, makyth my testament. To be buryd in the churche yerde of st Martyns of Ancastr'. To the vicar a calffe for to pray for me. To our Lady warkes off Lincoln vjd. To the churche of Ancastr' a alter clothe. To Arthure Tymerland, my sonne. To Catheryne Tymerland and Elizabeth Tymerland, my daughters. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to Jenet Tymerland, my wyff, whome I make executrice, that she may dispose it for the helthe of my soule. To my foresayd wyff my lande to helpe her and my chyldren, and to pay my dettes to the heyre be at laufull age. Also I make supervisor Richerd Franlyng, hyr father. Wytnes herof, sir William Torry; Thomas Peychyll; Robert Habott; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 22 September, 1530. Administration granted to the executrix.

TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM GALYON [OF WELTON LE WOLD].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 218.]

2 August, 1530. I William Galyon of Welton next Lowthe, yoman, makes my testament. To be buried in the church of st Androy in Welton. I wyt to our Lady warke of the Cathedrall church of Lincoln xijd. To the high alter of the same xd. I wyt to the church of st Androy of Welton a cewe and vj schepe to be prayd for as it apperys more opynly in the messall. I wyt to Isabell Galyon, my daughter, viij acres barly that growys of the lorde lande in the northe felde, and a house in Welton with the purtenaunces, the which is callyd Bramton Grene, to hyr and to [folio 218d.] hyr heyres and to her assignes, [etc.]. I wyt to Wylliam Galyon, my sonne. I wyt to Helene Galion, my daughter. I wyt to Elizabeth Bray, my moder. The resydue of all my goodes not wyt I gyff and wyt to Jenet Galyon, my wyff, whome I make executrix, and sir William Notthoke to be supervisor. Thes men beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Beche, the parson; William Wytton; Thomas Skyn; John Archer; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Louthe, 7 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD BARROW [OF SOUTH RESTON].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 387.]

3 August, 1530. I Richard Barrow of Sowth Reson makes will and testament. My body to be buryd in the churche yarde of st Edith of Sowth Reson. To the hy awter of our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln vjd. To the hy awter of Sowth Reson churche for forgotyn tythis viijd. To the warke of the same towne ijs. To Edward Westhorne viij yowe shepe, [etc.]. To Richard Westhorne on quarter wheyte. To Margret Janso my best gowne, [etc.]. To Cecile Norton. I will have on trentalle of massys to be done yn the churche of st Edith

of Sowth Reston for my sole and my wyfe sole and all crysten sowlles. The resedewe of my goodes not geven I gyff to William Heyr, wiche I make my executur that he maye dyspose yt for the helthe of my sole and all crysten sowlles. Thes witnessys, sir Robart Payge, prest of the same towne; William Eadman of the same towne; and Gylbart Scholle of the same; with other moo.

Proved before P., at Tertyll, 13 March, 1530-1.

TESTAMENTUM JOHANNIS MORE [DE WOLD NEWTON].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 220.]

In Dei nomine Amen anno Domini m° quingen^{mo} xxx^o iij^o die mensis Augusti. Ego Johannes More de Woldenewton junior compos mentis et sane memorie condo testamentum meum in hunc modum. In primis do et lego animam meam omnipotenti Deo beate Marie et omnibus sanctis corporusque meum sepeliendum in ecclesiam Omnim Sanctorum de Woldenewton directe coram crucifixo. Item do et lego summo altari ecclesie predicte meum optimum equum. Item lego reparacioni nauis ecclesie in scabellis xiijs. iiijd. Item lego vno sacerdoti legitime ordinato pro duobus trigintalibus celebrandis xxs. Item lego fabrice ecclesie cathedralis Lincolnie xxd. Item lego ordinibus fratrum de Grymesby viz conventui vtriusque domus xxd. Item lego beate Marie de Walsyngham viijd. Item lego ecclesie de Swynhope xijd. Item ecclesie de Thurganby viijd. Item vtrique ecclesie de Randall iiijd. Item lego ecclesie de Ashby xijd. Item ecclesie de Howerby iiijd. Item ecclesie de Beesby iiijd. Item vtrique ecclesie de Bynbroke vjd. Item lego Cristiane More sorore mee vnam vaccam. Item predicte Cristiane [folio 220d.] quatuor quarteria brasij. Item lego Willelmo More fratri meo integre omnes pannos meos et quinque quarteria brasij. Item lego Roberto More quinque quarteria brasij. Item lego Ricardo More quinque quarteria brasij. Item lego Thome More seniori quinque quarteria brasij. Item lego Thome More juniori quinque quarteria brasij. Item lego Willelmo More fratri meo xx^{ti} oues. Item lego Johanne More nepote mee vnam vaccam. Item lego Jacobo Dowell famulo meo duas oues. Item Brianno Dikynson duas oues. Item Johanni Johnson vnam ouem. Item lego vnum trigintale celebrandum ad Scalam celi in ecclesia sancti Botulphi de Boston. Item do vnicuique presenti ad sepulturam meam vnum denarium. Residuum bonorum meorum non legatorum do et lego Thome Gudhand et Ricardo Kente quos ordino et facio meos executores vt ipsi disponant pro salute anime mee. Hiis testibus Anthonio Hennege rectore Willelmo Wryght Johanne Webster cum aliis.

Probatum fuit apud Grymesby coram magistro Johanne Pryn etc. xj^o die mensis Octobris anno Domini m° quingentesimo xxx^o.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN NEWTON OF ESTRASEN.
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 178d.]

1530. I John Newton of Estrasyn orden and make thys my testament and laste will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of saynt Thomas the appostell in Estrasyn. To m^r vicar of the same towne for dyschargyng of my conscience in all maner of causys and for to pray for me vjs. viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To

Tevelby churche xijd. To Lynwood church iiijd. To the church of Myddyll Rasy in the patronage of Tupholm iiijd. To Drax¹ iiijd. To my chyldren Hugh, William, Legerd, Lucie, Elizabeth, Alice, and Cecile xijs. iiijd. each. I will that my howse that I do dwell in wich I have by copy holde upon my Lady Sheffeld shall go to Thomas my brother and my shoppe at Castre, he for to occupy them for hys own proffyt to my chyldren be at lefull age, that is for to say xx^{tv} yeres olde, and then the house and the shoppe boyth to remane to Hugh my sonne when he comyth to that age ; and yff he decease or he cum at the lefull age then to remane to William my sonne, and so from on to a nother when they cum at lefull age duryng the lyffes of all my thre sonnys. And yff it please God to take them all or they be xx^{tv} yere olde, I wyll that the house and schoppe shall go to Thomas my brother so long as my yeres doyth last. To Thomas my brother all thynges that longys to my schoppe, that is for to say shewys knyffes lastes and lether, [etc.] The resydewe of my goodes I gyff unto Thomas my brother for to se the bryngyng vp off my chyldren, [etc.], the wiche Thomas I make executor to dispose for my soule as he thynkes best. To the forsayd Thomas a pare of hampers, a packe saddle, and on of my horse for to cary hys ware to the markytes for hys own use and proffyt. This beryng wytnes, sir Xp'ofe Brumby, prest ; Thomas Whelpdale ; William Robynson ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 3 August, 1530.

TESTAMENT OF JAMES DALTON [OF SPALDING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 249.]

8 August, 1530. I Jamys Dalton of Spaldyng makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the parysh church yerde of our Lady and s^t Nicholes in Spaldyng. To the hygh alter of Spaldyng for tithys forgotten xxid. To the church warke of Lincoln iiijd. To s^t Catheryns without the wallys of Lincoln ijd. To Agnes Dalton, my mother. To Robert Gylbert. To Thomas Dalton. To Helene Jelot. To Thomas Dalton my sonne, after the dethe off Agnes Dalton, my wyff, v marys, [etc.]. I will have a trentall of messys done for the helthe of my soule in s^t Thomas qwere within the churche of Spaldyng. The resydewe of my goodes I put to the disposicion of Agnes Dalton, my wyff, to dispose for the helthe of my soule as she thynkes best, whome I orden executrix, and Cristofer Preston of Sybsey to be supervisor, and he to have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Wytnes herof, sir Robert Gee ; Robert Horslay ; John Northe ; William Browne ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530.

TESTAMENT OF SIR THOMAS DAY [VICAR OF HOUGH ON THE HILL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 203.]

10 August, 1530. I Thomas Day, vicar of Hough, make thys my last will. My body to be buryed in the quere of high [sic] before the image of our Lady. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln xxid. To the church of Hough vjs. viijd. To the church of Westboro vjs. viijd. To the high

¹ i.e. the church of Middle Rasen Drax.

alter ther *xxd.* To our Lady gylde of the same *ijs.* *iijd.* To saynt Rumbald gylde of Hogh *vjs.* *vijd.* To Thomas Day, sonne of John Day, my brother, my tenement in Foston with all thappurtenaunces thereto belongyng for the space of *xvij* yeres next foloyng aftyr my decease; and aftyr those *xvij* yeres be completyd than I wyll that the sayd Thomas Day and with hym Thomas Day, son of William my brother, shall have the sayd tenement equally betwyxte them, to them and to ther heyres and assignes. To Wylliam Day, sone of John Day, my close wyth *iiiij* landes lying in Foston, and also my house in Westeboro. To sir Oliuer Day *xls.*, [etc.]. To Jenet my syster *xls.* To John Patman and to every on of hys chyldren. To Wylliam Day of Doddyngton. To John Day, hys brother. To Oliuer hys brother. To Michell Day *xls.* and all my bokes yff he be prest; and aftyr the dethe of hym to remayn to Westeboro chyrch. To Roger Day on amblyng fole. To Steven Day. To Alice hys syster. To William Day *ij* sonnes and hys daughter. To every of my godchylder a schep. To the *iiij* orders of frerys to every on *xijd.* And to the frerys of Newarke. To Thomas Porter, my god sun, *vjl.* *xiijs.* *iijd.*, and to Helene Awdlyn a dowed kowe. I will have a prest that can syng to pray for me *ij* yeres in Hogh church. To John Samson. To the monastery of Mont Grace *xls.* To Helene Becke. To Myntyng church *vjs.* *vijd.* To Thomas Byllesby. To my *ij* maydens. The resydewe of my goodes I will be disposed for the well off my soule by syr Stephyn Owlet, Thomas Awdlyn, and Alice Day, videw, whome I make my executors, and every of them to have for ther labors *xls.* Thes wytnes, sir Richerd Redman; John Patteman; William Walkewood; John Samson; with other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 24 August, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

TESTAMENT OF JAMES FYSHE [OF SUTTON ST JAMES].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 249d.]

10 August, 1530. I Jamys Fyshe of Sutton in Holand, in the parysh of st Jamys, makes thys my last will and testament. To be buryed in the chapell of st Jamys in the parysh aforesayd. I bequeth in the name of my pryncipall as the costome is vsyd. To the prior off Castelacre for tithys forgotten *iijd.* To the vicar of Sutton for tithys forgotten *xxd.* To the reparacion of our mother church of Lincoln *iijd.* To the pore chylder of st Catheryns without the walle *iijd.* To the church warke of our Lady in Sutton *ijs.* To the reparacions of the stepill in st Jamys aforesayd *xxs.* To st Jamys gylde, st John gylde, and to our Lady gylde every on of them *iijd.* To every gylde besyde in the same chapell of st Jamys *ijd.* I will *ij* pownde wax be devydyd emong the severall lighttes in the same chapell.

Thys is the last will of me Morys [sic] Fyche forsayd annexyd to my testament wrytten the day and the yere abouesayd. To Margaret my wyff *ijj* kye, [etc.], and all my housholde stuff to be deuydyd betwyxt Margaret my wyff and my chylde indifferently. To Margaret my wyff *iiij* acres land lying at Gwyys Dowre and *iiij* acre land lying at Therstonbrech the terme of her lyff off thys condicion that Margaret my wyff shall chalens no dowre. And that John Man have Satfeldes the terme of hys yeres. And yff my wyff doy chalens her dowre or let John

Man to have Satfeldys hys yeres, than I will John Man have the iiiij acre land lying at Therstonbregh for ever, payng to my executors xls. I gyff my chylde the iiiij acre land lying at Gwyes Dowre in fee symple ; and I will my executors have the iiiij acres forsayd with the proffytte therof to my chylde cum to the age off xxj^{ty} yeres, and yff my chylde dy within the age of xxj^{ty} yeres then I will the iiiij acres be solde by the handes of my executors or ther assynges. I gyff my chylde my house with xix acres in fee symple, and yff my chylde dye within the age of xxj^{ty} yeres then it shall be solde, and the money theroff cumyng to be disposyd in dedys of charyte in the parysh of st Jamys save viij markes whch I will be payd to Margaret my wyff ; of the sayd money owt of the wch house and xix acres I wit to Margaret my wyff xijs. iiijd. every yere the space off x yere to the fyndyng of my chylde, and yff my chylde dye within the age of x yere then the forsayd xijs. iiijd. to be no more payd. I will all my wood growyng abowt my house, and vj sylver sponsys, and also vj acres lande lying in Brodegat, the landes of John Man of the est and the landes of Robert Cutte of the weste, and vj acres lande lying at Fyshe Brig, the gret sewer of the southe and the landes of Robert Joge of the northe, be solde by the handes of my executors to pay my dettes ; and I will John Negell have the vj acres lande lying at Fyshe Brig. The resydew of my lands and goods to be disposyd in dedes of charyte in the chapell of st Jamys and in the same parysh for my soule and all my good frendes soulys. I make my executors, John Negell and Simon Fyshe, and ether of them for to have for ther labor vjs. viijd. I gyff all my copy holde lande bothe of the kyng and of the prior of Spaldyng in the handes of Thomas Teryngton after the custome to the performance of my will. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Richerd Smyth ; Nicholes Calloy ; John Joge ; Thomas Riche ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. SMYTH [OF HUMBERSTONE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 318.]

10 August, 1530. I William Smyth of Humberston, makes my testament. My body to be buryd in the churchyerde of st Peter at Humbreston ; my mortuary as the law will. To the reparacion of the parysh church ijs. iiijd. To the reparacion of the mother church of Lincoln vjd. To the high alter of Humbreston other vjd. To the abbay¹ for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the vicar for tithys forgottyn xijd. To William my sone xls. To Richerd my sonne xls. To Xp'ofe my sonne xls., and to my ij doughters Dorothe and Helioner, and if any of them depart within age, [etc.]. To the Augustyn frerys of Grymesby xijd. To the church of Donyngton besyde Market Staynton vjd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Johan my wyff, whome I make executrix. Also I orden m^r George Lylborne, the parson of Mavishenderby, to be supervisor. Wytnes, the vicar off Humbreston ; Thomas Deane of the same ; Robert Grymolby ; Thomas Wryght ; with others.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 11 March, 1530-1.

¹ i.e. of Humberstone.

PETRUS BELTON [DE ALTHORPE].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 191.]

11 August, 1530. I Peter Belton makith my will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church of st Oswould in Althrope in the meare alye before the rowd. To the hye alter in the sayd church towerdes the manteninge of the alter clothes xijd. To our blessid Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the church of Althrope one quye with calfe. To the vpholdinge of the banck before the chapyll of st James ijs. To the chappyll of Amcottes a quy with calfe towradres fynedinge ij lightes for euermore with the profytt of the said quye. To Elsabethe Barnete one cowe and a spaninge calfe. To Isabell Richerson ij kye. To Henry my sonne my ferme hold withall the landes closinge withall other profyttes thereto belonginge, as dothe appeare in sertayne indentures mayd therof betwixt Thomas Waslinge esquier and on [sic] his wyfpe of the one parte and me the said Peter of the other partie. To Agnes my daughter iiiij markes of monye ouer and besyde her parte. To sir Thomas Belton, my sonne, a horse to be deliueringd to him by the superuisors. To Jane my wyfpe a howse nowe in the holdinge of Alexander Thorneton, with gressinge for iij kye and winter meat for the same duringe her wydowe head. To William my sonne all my yeares exprest in one indenture of a howse nowe in the holdinge of Roger Coodd, vnder this condicon so that he nether sell nor alienate to no man but to his brother Henry, for yf he doe I geue the said howse with all the profyttes fully to the sayd Henry duringe the yeares exprest in the said indenture. A white amblinge horse to be geuen to the best vse of my sonne Harry at the sight of the superuisors of this my will. To Henry my sonne as much corne as will sow all the land perteyninge to the said farme hold and fynd the howse duringe the space of one yeare. I will that all my funerall expenses legacyes bequestes debtes withall other charges and expenses clerely to be [page 192] fulfylled and payd of all the hole goodes before any deuision be mayd and then the goodes to be deuyded in iij equall partes by the superuisors to the effect of the lawe and the custome of the country, my parte therof I geue to Henrye mye sonne, whome I make my full executor, and he to dispose the said parte for the health of my soule as shalbe thought necessary at the sight of sir William Fletcher, Edmund Belton, and Roberte Wood, whome I make superuisors. I geue to the sayd sir William a wyte foole ij yeares in adge for his paynes, and to the said Edmund and Roberte ether of them for ther paynes iijs. iiijd. Wittnes herof, John Pinder, curatt; sir William Fletcher; sir Roberte Dona; Thomas Harpame; Edmund Belton; with other mooe.

[No probate act.]

TESTAMENT OF ROBERT HERBERD [OF PINCHBECK].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 263d.]

11 August, 1530. I Robert Herberd makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of Pynchbek. To the high alter for tithys forgottyn xijd. To every alter in the sayd church iiijd. To the church warke ther iijs. iiijd. To the chyrch warke of Lincoln vijd., and to the chyldren of st Catheryns iiijd. I wyll have at my buryall day a dirige masse and to be buryed

with note of all the hole qwere. To my viijth day ijs. viijd., and at my xxx^{tv} day ijs. iiijd. I wyll that a prest syng a quarter of on yere in Pynchbek church for my soule aud all crysten soulys, and he to have for hys labor xxvjs. viijd., To Robert my sone when he cumys to the age of xvij yeres iiijl. vjs. viijd. To the sayd Robert at the age of xvij yeres. To the sayd Robert my best cocher ij pare of flaxen schettes, [etc.] to be delyueryd so sone as hys mother ys maryed to another man. I wyll that all the hynginges of the hall and my hary ambry remane in the sayd hall to the vse of Robert my sonne. To Margery Burland a burlyng, and it to be delyueryd at may day next foloyng it then to be burnte. And yff she dy byfore may day then I will it be solde and the money to be disposyd in messe and dirige for her soule. To Robert Symson my servant, my whyte marche fole and it to sukke to mydlen. And yff he dy before mydlen, I will it be solde and the money to be disposyd in messe and dirige for hys soule. To John Wryght ij rygges and iiij buttes of barly growyng in Newlande felde next to the se. The reste off my goodes and catallys I gyff to Helene my wyff, whome I orden executrix with the supervision of John Claer and he to have for hys labor a yeryng fely.

Also I make my last wyll the [*folio 264*] same day and date above-namyd of all my landes. I surrender my house and all my copy holde lande aftyr the custom of the lordes courte and the maner of cuntry to the use and proffyt of Helene my wyff the terme of her lyff. To my wyff ij acres of frelande the terme of her lyff, and after her decease I will it remane to Robert my sone and to hys heyres of hys body, with all my copy holde lande. And yff Robert my sone dy withoutt heyres of hys body then I will the sayd lande copy and fre be solde by my supervisor yff he then be a lyve, and yff he be not alyve, I will it be solde by the church wardens and the vicar of Pynchbeke and the on halff of the money to be disposyd in on honest prest to syng in the church of Pynchbek, and the other halffe to be disposyd to pore folkes within the towne of Pynchbek for my soule, my frendes soulys and all crysten soulys. And yff it fortune Helene my wyff to dy before the probacion of thys my will, then I will John Clare be my sole executor. Thes wytnes, Thomas Hyll, prest; John Wryght; Robert Symson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swynesched, 19 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM SAULE [OF THEDDLETHORPE ST HELEN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 214d.]

14 August, 1530. I William Saule of the parysh of st Helene of Thedylthorp makes thys my last will or testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Helene. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln xxjd. To the hygh alter in my parysh church iijs. iiijd. To the buyldyng of the stepill in my parysh church vjs. To John my John [*sic*] [*folio 215*]. To Elizabeth, Johanne, and Jane my daughters. To William Garbray. To Thomas Wyghtman. To Catheryne Wyghtman. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff onely to Jenet my wyff and John Salle, my brother, whome I orden my executors that they may well and trewly performe all the premisses for the well of my soule. Hiis testibus, Thomas Gylbe, plebanio; Richard Harnas; Robert Bacar; John Hordman; cum aliis.

Proved before P., at Alford, 6 October, 1530.

[TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM COOKE [OF SWINESHEAD].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 249.]

15 August, 1530. I William Cooke of Swyneshed makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the parysh church yerde of our Lady of Swyneshead. Also to my mortuary as the law requiryth. To the high alter ther xijd. To every other alter in the sayd church ijd. To the church warke ther iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To the pupylls and orphans in the house of st Catheryne nygh Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To Robert my sone too kye and xls. To Rose my daughter ij kye. To Alice my daughter ij kye. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to Catheryne my wyff, whome I orden executrix that she pay my dettes and also orden and dispose as to the honor of God and the helthe of my soule. Thes wytnes, sir Thomas Garton, vicar of Swyneshed; Richerd Carver of Wygtofte; and Symon Roote of the same.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT STORY [OF LUDNAY].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 217.]

15 August, 1530. I Robert Story of Ludnay, husbandman, wonnyng in the parysh of Garnthorpe, do make my testament and my last wyll. My body to be buryed within the churche yerde of saynt Clement of Garnthorpe. To the place of Alvyngham for tithys and oblacions forgotten ijs. To the warke of our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the churche of st Clement above namyd iijs. iiijd. To the church of st Peter off Connys-holm iijs. iiijd. To the church of saynt Margaret of Wytherne ijs. To the church off [sic] way of Garnthorpe betwene the church and Ludnay ijs. I will have on trentall of messys to be celebrat within the parysh church where my body shall be buryed for the helthe of my soule and all my good frendes soulys. I wyll that the parysh prest shall have for makynge of my will xijd. I will that the gylde prestes of Garnthorp shall have to pray for the helthe of my soule ych on of them a pece viijd. To Margaret and to Helene the daughter [sic] of Roland Colynwoode of Conysholme other of them on yowe hoge. I will that all my goodes bothe moveable and unmoveable be devydyd in to ij partes, the fyrist parte I will that Jenet my wyff shall have astyr my deth with all the housholde stuff the wiche I had with her by maryage. I will that the secund parte be devydyd emonges my chyldren by equall porcions by the syght of the supervisors. To Jamys my sonne [folio 217d.]. I will that Edward Madyson of Conysholme and Roland Colynwood of the same and Robert Colynwood of Louthe be supervisors, and they to have a pece ijs. I make Jenet my wyff and Yngram my sonne my lefull executors, and they to se that my body be brought to the grownde [etc.]. Thes beyng wytnes, sir John Pormard; Edward Madyson; Roland Colynwood; Peter Phylipson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Louth, 7 October, 1530.

TESTAMENT OF JOHN AKEY [OF ADDLETHORPE].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 211.]

18 August, 1530. I John Akey makes thys my testament and will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of saynt Nicholes of

Adylthorpe. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the sacrament for forgottyn tithys xxd. To the reparacion of the high alter of Adylthorp iijs. iiijd. To the church warke of the same xs. To the bellys xijd. To the Trinitie alter in the church of Adylthorp iiijd. To our Lady alter iiijd. To st John alter iiijd. To the iiiij orders of frerys in Boston xvjd. To Alice Boston ij yowes w^t ther lammys. The resydew off my goodes vnbequethyd my dettes payd my lagaces fulfyllyd and bryngyng me to the grounde, I bequeth to Jenet my wyff, whome I do make my executrix, and Robert Boston my other executor, and he to haue for hys labor vjs. viijd., that they may dispose my goodes for the helthe of my soule as they thynke best by the ouersyght of Water Seyll, my ouerseer, whome I bequeth vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, sir William Wylliamson, my gostly father; John Wawpyll; Robert More; w^t other moy.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 5 October, 1530.

TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM FLANE [OF FRISKNEY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 210.]

20 August, 1530. I William Flane makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of Fryskey. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the ornamenteis of the high alter in Fryskey viijd. To the alter of our Lady in Fryskey churche iiijd. To the rode gylde vjd. To Corpus Xp'i alter in Fryskey churche iiijd. To sancte Nicholes alter in Fryskey churche iiijd. To the church warkes of Fryskey xijd. To the iiiij housys of the frerys in Boston, ich house to have xijd. To Isabell and Margaret my doughters. The resydue of my goodes I will Jenet my wyff and Hugh Gote pay my dettes and dispose it for my father soule and my mother soule and for all crystyn soulys and the sayd Hugh Gote to haue iijs. iiijd. for hys labor. Wytnes herof, John Waylle, chapland; John Cokke; Richerd Kygges; with other moy.

Thys is the last will of me William Flane, mayd and wrytten the day aboue namyd: that I will Jenet my wyff haue my house with the lande therto perteynyng and on pese of land called Ayr Marce the terme of her lyff and then it to retorne to my heyres. Wytnes aboue namyd.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 5 October, 1530.

TESTAMENT OF HENRY HALL [OF HOLTON BY BECKERING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 222d.]

20 August, 1530. I Henry Hall of Howton in Bekeryng, seke of body, makes my last will or testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerd of All Haloyis of Howton. To the high alter of the same for all my forgotten tithys xijd. To the hygh alter of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady warkes iiijd. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Isabell my wyff to dispose for the helthe of my soule and to the bryngyng up of my chylder, whome I make my full executrix. Wytnes herof, sir Thomas Galas; sir Thomas Curtas; sir Richard Forboson; Richerd Jonson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Wragby, 14 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS WALGRAVE [OF HORBLING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 256d.]

20 August, 1530. I Thomas Walgrave of Horblyng makyth thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st^t Androy in Horblyng. I gyff for my mortuary as the acte doth admyt by the lawe and the custome that now is. To the high alter for tithys forgottyn xijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the pore chyldren of st^t Catheryne ijd. To the reparacion of Horblyng church xvjd. To on hable preste to say iij messys for me xijd. To my eldest sonne. To my other sonne. To my eldest daughter Johan on wytte qwyte, and to Emmot my doughter on blake qwyte. To Jayn on browne qwyte. To Elizabeth my doughter. To the chylde that my wyff is withall. The resydewe to Helene my wyff, whome I make my executrix to kepe and to gyde my chylder to they be off age to gyde them selffe and ther goodes, and the resydewe sche to dispose as she thynkes best for the well of my soule and all crysten soulys. In wytnes herof, sir Richerd Baynton; Henry Atwyk; Richerde Palmer; with moy.

Proved before P., at Loughton, 26 September, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN YONG [OF ADDLETHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 231.]

24 August, 1530. I John Yong of Ardyllthorpe in Ingolmelles do make my will and my testament the wich was wryttyn of st^t Bartholomew day last past 1530 [*folio 231d.*]. To be buryed in the churche of Ardelthorpe of st^t Nicholes before the goode roode, and therto I do gyff unto the same churche warke of Ardyllthorpe in Yngolmelles vjs. viijd. To the parson or hys depute for my forgottyn tythys of the same churche xijd. To the parson of st^t Peter in Yngolmelles for my forgottyn tithys xijd. To the church warke of st^t Peter in Yngolmelles vjs. viijd. To the high alter warke of st^t Nicholes in Ardyllthorpe iijs. iiijd. To the bellys of the same churche in Ardyllthorpe xijd. To the high alter warke in Yngolmelles xijd. To the holy reliques of Ingolmelles iiijd. To Hoggesthorp churche bellys xijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xxd. To my brother, Henry Yong, of Chapyll st^t Lenerde of the parysh of Mumby x yowes as they do rune, to hym and hys chylder. To my said brother of the same for to aray hys chylder withall xvijl. of the wight of woolle lokkes ready welyd and tasyd in a pooke, a nelne of lynyng, [etc.]. To Thomas Yong, my brother, of Holand, x yowes as they do rune, a standyng bed with stapalles upon it, ij skynnys of wylde lether and lynyng unto them, my jerkyn, [etc.]. To Agnes Yong, my syster. Also all other thynge that be not gyflyn I putt at my executors gydyng for the helthe of my soule and all my good frend soulys after the last mynde and will of me John Yong, and for to let all my fermynge landes and tenementes and all other meyffabules vnto the best, and for to bryng me furth to the erthe aftyr my last will and that yt dothe remayn furthe anend and all other thynge fulfyllyd spente and done aftyr my last wyll and [*folio 232*] mynde and performyd then as farforthe as my goodes will do performe and streche aftyr the terme days of my fermyd landes be spente and done or a fore, and yff my executors dothe please them as sone as the money may be mayd redy, for to set a preste for to pray and syng in the churche of

Ardylthorp in Ingolmelles as far as it will go for the helthe of my soule, my fader and my moder, and all my benefactors soules y^t God will haue prayd for, whome her I do make my executors Mr Anthony Marys, jentylman, and Robert Thore, and ether of them to haue for ther labors vjs. viijd. Yff so be that master Anthony Marys and Robert Thore willnot take it apon them forto occupy for me, then I do make my brother, Henry Yong, and my brother, Thomas Yong, for to be my executors in ther place or in ther rowmys her apon. Thyes men beryng wytnes, in presence sir John, chaplain, yt mayd thys will and wrote it w^t hande; John Thorpe; and Thomas Cokson. To Margaret Addyson. To Marion Scalflet. Item he that dothe make my grave iiijd. To the ryngers every on of them ijd. And the berers of me John Yong for to have every man of them that dothe carry me unto the churche iiiij of them ijd.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 5 October, 1530.

TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM GOODHALE [OF SCOTTELETHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 224.]

30 August, 1530. I William Goodhale of Scotylthorp in the parysh of Edenham, gentilman, make my testament and to be buryed where it shall please God, at the discretion of my executors. Also for my mortuary that that the lawe dothe require. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. To the high alter off Edenham for tithynges forgotten ijs. To the high alter of Irnham xijd. To the high alter of Castelbitham xijd. To our Lady gylde of Edenham vs. To the Trinitie gylde of Irnham vjd. To the chapell of Scotilthorpe vjd. To the reparacions of the Southebryg of Edenham xijd. To the sepulcer light of Edenham xxd. To my brother Thomas. I will that my housholde stuff be equally partyd emong my chyldren by the discretion of my executors. I will that every on of my doughters have xxl. to be payd at the days of ther mariages or ellys within suche space as it may be conveniently levied of suche goodes and landes as I have sett to the performance of thys my last will. And yff it fortune that any of my doughters decease before the days of ther mariages, as God defende, that then ther parte or partes do cum to the use of Cristofer my sonne if he lyff and cum to the age of xxj^w yeres. And yff he decease before the sayd age then that the sayd money and partes be disposyd by my executors for the well of my soule, Margaret and Catheryne my wyffes, for my father soule and my mother soule, Henry Grymesby soule, and Elizabeth soule, and all crysten soulys; prouydyl alway that my sayd doughters be orderyd as concernyng ther mariages by my executors and other of my frendes, or ellys they to have no parte of thes my bequestes. I will that a discrete preste do celebrat and serve for me, my wyffes, my fader and mother, Henry Grymesby and Elizabeth, and all crysten soulys one yere, and the sayd preste to have to hys stypend iiijl. xiijs. iiijd. Also I will that a trentall be done for me at the day of my buryall yff it may be done. I wytt to the reparacions of the bellys of Edenham xxd. I wytt to the churche of Edenham my chamlet gowne to make a cope apon yff the parysh will do the costes thereon. I will that my feoff_z of my landes stande and be seasyd of and in my landes aud tenementes with all ther appurtenaunces iu the townys and feldys of Edenham, Scotilthorpe, Witham, and Boleby

to the use of me the sayd William Goodhale and Anne my wyff for the terme of our lyfes naturall and the longer lyffer of us, and aftyr our deceasys to the use of my executors to the performance of my will, and then to remayne to my right heyres. And also I will that my sayd feoffes stande and be seasyd off and in all my other landes and tenementes with all ther appurtenaunces within the countie of Lincoln for the space of xiij yeres to the use and performance of my wyl and testament, and aftyr the sayd terme of xiij yeres to the use off my right heyres. Provyded alway that yff it please God that Cristofer my sonne lyff unto that he cum to the age of xxjth yeres, that then the issues and proffyttes of Creton, Cownthorpe, Castelbitham, and Lytle Bitham cum and remayn vnto the use of the sayd Xp' ofer, and in the meanetyme the sayd Xp' ofer to be at the rewle and order of my executors. All the resydew of my goodes to be at the disposition of sir John Thymolby, knyght, and Thomas Tyler, yoman, whome I make executors, [etc.]. In the presence of sir Henry Salmon, parysh preste; sir Peter Gray and sir Walter Basse, prestes; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Creton, 23 September, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS MURRE OF BOSTON.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, ff. 227d-9.]

3 September, 1530. I Thomas Murre of Boston, roper, makes my testament concludyng [*folio 228*] in the same my last will. My body to be buryed in the churche of st^t Botulphe in Boston, with my mortuary as the costome and the law requirys. To the high alter in the sayd churche for tithys forgotten vs. To every gylde in the sayd churche of st^t Botulphe by whome God our Lady and all the saintes in heven ar honoryd and worshyppyd vjd. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To our Lady warkes at Lincoln viijd. To the fatherles chyldren at st^t Catheryns at Lincoln xijd. To the iiiij closters in the towne of Boston for goyng before me to the high churche and for syngynge of dirige every on of them iijs. iiijd. To Agnes my wyff all her goodes that she brought to me when I dyd marry her, no thyng to be with drawne from her that she can cownte or rekyng hyrs. To the sayd Agnes my wyff the house that I dwell in for her lyff; remaynder to Jenet Lownde in fee symple; remainder if she decease or she cum to xvij yeres, to the eldest chylde of Richard Murre of Kyrton. To the sayd Agnes my wyff the grene that I bought of John Gatton for her lyff; and then to be solde be my executor or executors of them and disposyd in warkes of charyte for my soule and all crystensoulrys. To our Lady gylde in Wyberton ij garneshe of vessyll lay metyll so they kepe on yerday yerly to say dirige and messe for my soule and all crystensoulrys. To the frerys Carmellyttes in Boston on garnesh of vessyll lay metyll and my best spyt. To Richerd Murre of Kyrton my best gowne, on dooblet, and on pare of hose. To every godbarne that I have lyffyng viijd. To Elizabeth Carmalde, my servant, a cownter that stands in the schop, and a bed price xiijs. iiijd., bed bordes, and all such thinges as schetys, coverlydes, blankytyttes, and peloy, praysyd to the sayd valoy of xiijs. iiijd.; also on garnysh of vessell lay metyll; also ij howsys in Pulvertofte lane in fe symple and an ambre, a chayefyng

dyshe, and xls. in money, [etc.]. To Jenet Lownde xls. in money [etc.]. I will ther be gyffyn to pore people at my buryall day in farthyng bred xijs. iiijd., and also as myche at my sevent day, my xxx^{tv} day, and my fyrist yerday, sum lijs. iiijd. I will that the housys that standes in Buk lane, buttyng vpon the Whyte Frerys of the weste and uppon the sayd lane upon the northe and uppon Edward Baudre of the southe and vpon the kynges high way of theest, be solde ij yeres after my decease, and the money therfore receyvyd the on halffe to be waryd in reparacions at the frerys Carmelyttes where most nede is, and the other halffe to be disposyd in mendyng of high ways and in other warkes of charite. To John Turner, my prentys, xs. To Robert Stubys, my servant, my tolys sufficient to lay a cabyll of iij score stone and so downe to a halter of a ob', and halffe my beame and halffe my wyghttes, and he to by the other halffe by the syght of my nyghbors, and xls. in money. To the bedmen of our Lady gylde in Boston xiijd. in the weke a yere lastyng after my decease wekely to be payd. To the gylde of the viij Martyrs in Boston vijd. I will have a prest to syng for my soule and all crysten soulys the space of a yere, gyffyng to hym vi. vjs. viijd. to hys wagys. And the sayd money to be in the kepyng of sir Richard Cooke, prest, he to pay the prest quarterly as hys quarter cumys. I will be mayd a brother in Corpus Xp'i gylde after my beryall day in payng my dewtes as the custome of the gylde is, I gyff my iij housys and my lyttyll grene callyd my layng place to the alderman, chamberlanes, and cobrether of Corpus Xp'i gylde for the terme of iiij score yeres and xij and for ever iff it may be sufferyd by the lawe, beryng suche a obbyt for my soule and all crysten soulys as the sayd alderman and cobrether and my executors may a gre upon. And yff it can not be mayd sure within the sayd terme, then the sayd alderman and cobrether [*folio 229*] to sell it and dispose it in warkes of charite for my soule and all crysten soulys. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff and wytt to Agnes my wyffe and Richerd Murre of Kyrton, whome I make executors, by the counsell of sir Richerd Coke, prest, whome I make supervyson, [etc.]. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Cersy, parysh preste; Thomas Wryght; Gylberd Daylle; John Daylle; William Etwell; John Pollerd; John Bylton; wyth other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 20 October, 1530, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HOUISON [OF SCARTHOE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 325.]

4 September, 1530. I John Howsson of Scartho make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churchyeerde of Scartho. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln xijd., and to the high alter of Scartho iiijd. To our Lady light of Scartho ijs. viijd. To the rode of Scartho xijd. To Richerd Houson, my sone, xls. To Jenet my eldest doughter. To Jenet my yongest doughter. To Johan my doughter. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Margaret my wyff and to Thomas my sonne, whome I make executors. Wytnes heroff, sir John Fysher, parson; Edwarde Howson; Nicholes Bell; John Kyddington.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 15 March, 1530-1. Administration was granted to Thomas Howson, the executor, Margaret the relict and executrix being prevented by death.

THE TESTAMENT OF ALICE TWELLYS [OF BURTON PEDWARDINE].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 258.]

4 September, 1530. I Alice Twellys of Burton Pedwardyne make my testament. My body to be buried in the church yerde of the holy apostell st Androy of Burton, and my mortuary as the law dothe assigne. To the reparacions of our mother church of Lincoln iiijd. To the sacrament in the sayd church of Burton for tithys forgotten xijd. To Catheryne Bell. To Johan my doughter my best kyrtyll, a smoke and a napurne. To Margery my doughter. To Agnes Twellys. To ychon of the chyldren of Richerd Twellys, my sonne. To ychon of the chyldren of William Gyldyn. To ichon of the chyldren of the sayd Johanne my doughter. The reste off all my goodes I put to the disposicion of Robert Twellys, my sonne, whome I make executor, to bryng me honestly furth, to kepe my vijth day, my moneth day, and my yere day, and to pay my dettes, my rentes, and my legacies. Thes wytnes, sir Robert Jenkynson, vicar of Burton; Richerde Twellys; William Gyldyn; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Sleaford, 27 September, 1530. Administration was granted to the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM COOKE [OF DRY DODDINGTON].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 257d.]

5 September, 1530. I William Cooke of Dodyngton of the parysh of Westburgh make thys my laste will and testament. My body to be buried in the church yerde of the south parte of the parysh church of Westburgh. To the high alter in offeryng iijs. iiijd. To the reparacions of the churche of Westburgh vjs. viijd. To the vicar of Westburgh iijs. iiijd. To Dodington chapill iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xxjd. To the observantes of Newark halffe a quarter of malte. To our Lady frerys of Lincoln iiijd. To the Augustyne frerys of Lincoln iiijd. To Jenet my syster a cowe. To William Johnson and hys wyff xvjd. To sir Thomas Harmestrong xvjd. To sir Robert Alcocke xijd. To Stephyn Cooke vjs. viijd. To John Cooke. To Richerd Cooke. To John Thomson iijs. To Dodyngton brygges ijs. To the churches of Clapole and Hough, Benyngton, Hougham, Stubton, to every of them iiijd. To st Jamys gylde of Dodyngton, saynt Catheryne gylde, and the Plough gylde, to every of them a stryke malte. I orden my wyff to be my executrix. I make sir Stephyn Cooke and John Thomson supervisors. Thes beyng wytnes, Roger Kyghley; Stephyn Cooke; Richard Aleyn; John Thomson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Sleaford, 27 September, 1530. Administration granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT MEDLEY [OF BRIGSLEY].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 267.]

5 September, 1530. I Robert Medlay of Bryggeslay makyth my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the churchyerde of st Helene of Bryggeslay. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To the high alter of Bryggeslay for tentes not remembryd xijd. To our Lady warke

of Lincoln viijd. The resydewe of my goodes not wyt I gyff and wyt to Mawde my wyff whome I make my executrix to dispose for the well off my soule as she shall make answer before the high juge of heven. Thes wytnes sir William Bull, parson of the same church.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 10 November, 1530. Administration granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ED' ALAYN [OF SOUTH ORMSBY].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 317d.]

9 September, 1530. I Edmund Alayn makynth my last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Leonerde of Southomesby. To the holy sacrament iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln apare of geate beeides w^t a sylver ryng and xijd. of money. To st Anne of Ormesby to fyndyng of a lyght vjs. viijd. I will vjs. viijd. be gyffyn to pore folke of Kettesby, Wawmgare, Ormesby, Brynkyll. To John Sylle of Ormesby one cote wiche hys servant ware, and a dooblyt the body ofworstynd and the sleves of chamlet. To hys wyff iiijs. viijd. wiche John Syll owyth vnto me. To William Yerland wyff my best gowne but on. To Anne Croke ij candylstykes, [etc.]. To sir John Cooke xijd. To the clerke iiijd. To m^r William Skypwyth the younger my supervisor vjs. viijd. To my too executores to eyther of them vjs. viijd., John Thewe and Robert Elwode. The resydew of my goodes not bequethyd I gyff to my sone, John Alayn, and yff anny thyng shall happyn him, I will that a prest shall syng for me and for all those that I am bounden to pray for so long as it will last at the myndes of my executors. Thes wytnes, John Gybson; William Kyrkby; w^t other.

Proved at Kettesby, 11 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS KYRKBY [OF CAYTHORPE].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 260.]

12 September, 1530. I Thomas Kyrkby of Cathorp make and orden thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the parysh churche of saynt Vincent in Cathorpe. To the high alter of Cathorpe for my tithys with holden or forgotten xxd. To our mother churche of Lincoln ijs. To Isabell my wyff. To Thomas, Richard, and Beteres Day. To every on off William Haleday chylder. To every on of Richerde Halyday chylder. To every on of William Kente chylder. To every on of John Thomson chylder. To every on of my godchylder. To the communalte of Rawceby iijs. iiijd. To the church of Normanton iijs. iiijd. To Carleton churche iijs. iiijd. To the church of Cathorpe xxs. To the Trinite gylde of the same towne on seame barly. To sir Rawff Parker. To Hough gylde iijs. iiijd. To Fulbek churche iijs. iiijd. To Isabell my wyff my howsys in Cathorp that I have by copy for the terme of her lyff, and then she to dispose it for the helthe of both our soulys. The resydewe of my goodes I give to Isabell my wyff and Thomas Day, whome I make my executors. I make Hugh Prest and John Thomson of Cathope to be helpers to my wyff. Thes wytnes, sir Rauff Parker; Heugh Prest; William Halyday; John Thomson; and other moy.

Proved at Cathorp, before P., 28 September, 1530. Administration granted to the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. WRYGHT [OF CADNEY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 326d.]

12 September, 22 Henry VIII [A.D. 1530]. I Thomas Wright of Cadney, husbandman, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the [folio 327] churche of All Halloys in Cadney. To the high alter iiijd. To the sayd church warke iijs. iiijd. And to the buyldyng of Howsom chapell vjd. To the convent of Newsted apon Ankholtme xvjd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. To Agnes my wyff Bennet house and vij acres of lande and medoy duryng her lyff; and aftyr her decease, to remayn to my heyr. To William my sonne halffe a tofftte in Howsom with iij landes at Pule hedlandes, and those landes that somme tyme was Helene Formans, and sex landes that was callyd Hamma lande whch is iij of the on syde and thre of the other syde. To my sayd sonne xxss. of money to be takyn of my goodes to the buyldyng of a house. And the resydue of my landes I will that John my sonne have immedately aftyr my decease. The resydewe of my goodes my will is that Agnes my wyff [and] John my sonne have to dispose for the well of my soule, whome I make my executors; and William Pyvell to be supervisor. Thes wytnes, John Maydynwell; Robert Northcotes; and other.

Proved before P., at Castor, 16 March, 1530-1. Administration granted to John the executor, Agnes the relict and executrix being prevented by death.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD ADDYSON [OF KILLINGHOLME].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 231d.]

15 September, 1530. I Richard Addyson of Kelyngholm, seke in body, makes and settes my last will. I wyt my soule to God [etc.], and my body to be buried wt in the church yerde of saint Deonyse of Kelyngholm. I wyt to the holly sacrament for tithys and offerynges forgottyn xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln in oblation viijd. To our Lady warke viijd. I wyt to the churche of st Deonyse in Kelyngholm a quarter of whete [etc.]. I wyt to the church of st Peter in Halton viijd. I wyt to do halffe a trentall of messys for the helthe of my soule vs. To m^r John Bothe off Kelyngholm a browne stott of ij yeres olde and more. To sir Thomas Bylton my curat vs. To Jamys Addyson, my brother, my weddyng gowne and my wood knyffe, and he shall gyff the sayd woode knyffe aftyr hys departyng to Henry Addyson my sonne, and I desyre my brother Jamys to governe Henry my sonne and my wyffe will for go hym. To Thomas Gartham my dagger and a leder dooblet, and I desyre hym and hys wyffe for to governe John and Elizabeth Addyson my chyldren and my wyff please to forgo thame. To William Garthom my red orege jaket. To John Garthom a gray bastane colte stagge, [etc.]. To Henry Garthom a blake fely stag, [etc.]. To John Addyson my sone ij stottes, [etc.]. To Jenet Skeytter a browne qwyne, [etc.]. To Agnes Jentyll a cowe whch my wyff will gyff her. To Robert Shamond my grene jerkyng orelyns my best hose. The resydewe of my goodes not wyt, my dettes payd and my funerall expenses mayd, I wytt to Agnes Addyson my wyff and to John Addyson my sonne, whome I do make my executors that they may dispose my goodes to

the pleasure of God and salvacion to my soule ; and the goodes to be equally devydyd in thre partes, on parte to my wyff, the secund to John my sonne, and the thyrde parte to my other fyve chyldren equally devydyd. Wytnes of thys my last will, syr Thomas Bylton ; Thomas Garthom ; John Whyte ; and William Garthom ; wyt other moy.

Proved before P., at Castre, 10 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF EDWARD COTTYNGHAM [OF BONBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 219.]

15 September, 1530. I Edward Cottyngham of Bonby makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Androy of Bonby. I wyt to the high alter of saynt Androy of Bonby xijd. To our Lady of the northe hyle iiijd. I wyt to the high alter of our Lady of Lincoln xijd., and to the warke of the same churche xijd. I witt to saynt Savior of Newburgh iiijd. I wyt to Madyn Rathbot ijd. I wyt to dame Malde good qwene ijd. I wyt to st John of Wyngall ijd. I wytt to the Holy Crosse of Barton jd. and to the goode roode ther jd. I wyt to st Michel of Burnhome ijd. I wyt to a prest for v messys xxd. I wyll that vijd. be gyffyn to lame folkes and to pore folkys. To Thomas Cottyngham, Agnes Cottyngham, Margaret Cottyngham, and Agnes my syster, every on of them a yow. To Xp'of'er Seyrby a lamme. I wytt to Elizabeth my syster xijd. To Alice my syster xijd. To Margaret my syster xijd. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to John Cottyngham my broder, and that he dispose it for the well of my soule. Wytnes herof, sir John Hygdon, vicar ther ; Vincent Dane ; Robert Johnson ; wt many moy.

Proved before P., at Castre, 10 October, 1530.

TESTAMENT OF JOHN HOMMYLTON [OF SIXHILL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 327d.]

15 September, 1530. I John Hommylton of Syxhill, husbandman, of a hole mynde sayng seke of body, makes my testament. To be buryd in the churchyerde of All Halloys of Syxhill. To the holy sacrament in the same church for my tithys and oblacions forgottyn xijd. To the reparacions of the bellys in the same churche xijd. To the price of hym must be payd to the forsayd warke vs. To our Lady gyldie in the same churche a wheder schepe. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To Northwyllyngham church iiijd. To our Lady frerys of Lincoln for sayng of a trentall for me and my wyff xs. To the Augustyn frerys of Grymesby for sayng of a nother trentall for me and my wyff xs. To the sisters of Syxhill abbay a yow schepe. To Anthony Hommylton my sonne and to Robert hys brother and to Thomas Hommylton my brother a fely wich John Grene will gyff hym. To Richerd Grene and to Jenet Grene hys syster. To Jamys Beche chylder of Estbarkworth. To Jenet Esotson my syster in lawe. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John Grene of Syxhill, my brother in lawe, the wich I orden executor. Thes beyng wytnes, Robert Jakson, vicar of the same ; Richerd Sutton and Richerd Bleysby of the same ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Market Rasyn, 17 March, 1530-1, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN SHEPERDE [OF BENINGTON IN HOLLAND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 230.]

16 September, 1530. I John Sheperde the elder of Benyngton makes my testament and last will. To be buryed in the kyrke of Bennyneton with that thyng that the law requiryth to be my mortuary. To the sacrament iiijd. To the reparacion of All Halloys iiijd. To the high alter iiijd. To every other alter besyde iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln for offeryng iiijd. To st Catheryne ij. To the farmer for forgottyn tithys vjd. To Richerd my sonne my mylne and my qwernys to remane in my house. To Agnes my daughter on qwy burnyng, [etc.]. To John my sonne. [folio 230d.] To Thomas my sone on qwy burnyng and on red bald colte stag. To John Felde, my godsun. To Catheryne Felde. I bequeth on bushyll barly to be gyffyn in bred on Good Fryday in almys to pore folke by the space of xx^{ty} yeres after my decease with halffe a quarter malte to be gyffyn of st Thomas day before Crystenmes by the space of xx^{ty} yeres aftyr my decease. To the kyrke warke of Bennyneton ijs. iiijd. I will have on trentall to be sung in the kyrke of Bennyneton for my soule and my wyff soule, payng therfore xs. To Margaret my daughter. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff them to Elizabeth my wyff and Richerd my sonne, whome I make my executors, with m^r John Fryskey to be supervisor herof, he for to have for hys labor ijs. iiijd. Thyes wytnes, sir Roger Pyshe; sir William Stedeman; syr William Roper; and John Loydon; with other.

I will that Richerd my sonne have my capitall messuage with v acres land that it standes upon, iiij acres land arable lying betwyxt the kyrk styghtes, and on acre and di. arable lande callyd Arle lande, iiij acres lying in the See felde, and ij acres lying in Leuerton Rede meres, and halffe on acre and di. on roode lying in Benyngton ynges callyd Costed hyll, and iij roode and di. lying of the sowthe syde of Costed hyll, iij acres and di. pastre lying in Medylgate, and on pece pastre callyd Benacle grene, on rigge callyd Hopkyn garthe, ij acre lande callyd Bell lande lying at Sotgave ende, and ij acres in Wolffe hole lying in Leuerton ynges, in fee symple. To Richerd my sonne iiij acres lande lying in Gottdyke felde of thys condicion that he shall kepe and cause to be kepte on obbyt in the kyrke of Benyngton by the space of xx^{ty} yeres next aftyr my decease for my soule my wyff soule and all crysten soulys, paying yearly for it ijs. iiijd.; and at the xx^{ty} yeres ende the sayd iiij acres lande to remane to the sayd Richerde in fee symple. To Richerd my sone iij acres arable lande callyd Watlande lying in [folio 231] Seldyke of thys condicion that he shall fynde John my sonne att the scole to he cum to xxiiij^{ty} yeres of age, and to fynde hym all thynges necessary as met, drynke, clothe, and the sayd Richerd to gyff hym the ij last yeres xxs. by yere; yff the sayd John be not a preste at the ende of the sayd xxiiij^{ty} yeres, then I wyll that he have the sayd iij acres lande callyd Wat lande in fee symple; yff the sayd John be a prest at the sayd xxiiij^{ty} yeres ende, then I will the sayd John have on acre lande of the forsayd iij acres of the southe syde and Richerd my sonne the ij acres of the northe syde. To John my sone on acre and di. lande lying in

Medyll gate in fee symple. To Elizabeth my wyff ij acres pastre in Sandygatt and on acre and di. at the olde mylne, ij acres and di. callyd Shalok lande, and iij acres in Gotdyke, to the terme of her lyff, and then to remane to Thomas my sone; yff Thomas my sonne dye within age then I will the sayd landes remane to Richerde and John my sones in fee simple. To Margaret my daughter iij stong lande callyd What Ryg in Seldyke in fee symple. To Agnes my daughter iij acres and di. lande lying at Gotdyke next my awne lande, at the day of her mariage, to hyr heyres of her body; yff she dye wythout heyres I will the sayd lande be devydyd betwyxte Richerd and Thomas my sonnes in fee symple. To Margaret Felde xls. To Thomas my sonne iij stong lande lying of the northe parte of my lande in Gotdyke. To Cecile the daughter of Richerd Sheperde iij stong lande nex Gotdyke brige that I bought. Wrytten the day and yere before namyd.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 20 October, 1530.

TESTAMENT OF JOHN CRUX [OF AUBOURN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 192.]

1530 A.D. I John Crux of Awburne, seke of body, makes this my wyl and testament. To be buryed within the churcheyerde of Awburne. To the high alter for all forgotten tithys vjd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. To the Gray frerys of Lincoln on stryke of whete. To sir George Heyvin, my curate, on calffe at the election off my wyff. To Edmund my sone. To Bryan my sone. I make Margery my wyff and Edmund my sonne full executors, and Thomas Erysby to be supervisor. I will that the rest of my goodes be sett in thre partes, my wyff to have on parte, my chyldren an other parte, and all that remayneth on my owne parte my will fulfyllyd I will that it shall be at the custody of my wyff. This beyng wytnes, sir George Ewyn, my curat; Thomas Erysby; William Pryggeon; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 17 September, 1530. Administration granted to Margery the relict, reserving power to grant to Edmund the son when he shall come, etc.

TESTAMENT OF HENRY DEVIS [OF HARLAXTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 308.]

18 September, 1530. I Henry Devys of Harlaxton, makyth my testament and last will. To be buryed in the church yerde of st Androy of Harlaxton. To the high alter for forgottyn tithys viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To William Devys, my sone, on russyt cote. To Thomas Devys, my sone, on orrege cote. To Nicholes Devys, my sone, on qwy calffe. To Jenet Devys on brasse panne that hath a clowte of the syde. To Michael Gylberd, my brother, full power and auctorite to aske and receyve all suche dettes as ar owyng and dew unto me and ar wryttyn in my dette boke, the wich dettes I gyff to my iij chyldren, [etc.]. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to Jenet Devys my wyff, whome I make executrice. Thes beyng wytnes, Michael Gylbard; John Martyn; William Portington; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grantham, the last day of February, 1530-1, by the executrix.

TESTAMENT OF JOHN EMME [OF FRISKNEY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 210d.]

18 September, 1530. I John Emme senior makes my testament. To be buryed in the church yerde of All Halloys in Fryskney. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the high alter in Fryskney iiijd. I bequeath my house with the purtenaunce longyng therto to John my sonne. To my wyff my kytchyng the terme of her lyff, [etc.]. To Alice my doughter on gret arke, [etc.]. To Margaret my doughter. To my wyff halffe my croppe with John my sonne. To Robert Emme, my kynsman. The resydue of my goodes I will that John my sonne have them, whch I make my executor to dispose it for the wele of my soule, [etc.]. Wytnessyth sir John Geffreyson, prest; William Gotte; Robert Hobard; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 5 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. WYLDON [OF GEDNEY FEN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 238.]

In Dei nomine amen xvij^o vero die mensis septembris anno Domini millesimo quingentessimo xxx^o. Ego Thomas Wyldon de Gedney Fen compos mentis et sane memorie existens condo testamentum meum vnam ultima voluntate mea in hunc modum. In primis lego animam meam Deo Patri omnipotenti beate Marie ac omnibus Sanctis Corpusque meum sepeliendum in cimiterio Sancte Trinitatis de Gedney Fen predicta. Item lego mortuario meo secundum formam et effectum cuiusdam actus nuper editi in parlamento &c. Item lego summo altari ibidem pro decimis negligenter oblitis iiijd. Item lego matrice ecclesie Lincolnie vjd. Item pupillis et orphanis domus sancte Catherine extra muros Lincolnie ijd. Item lego lumini sancte Trinitatis ibidem vnam libram cere et lumini beatissime Marie ibidem ijli. cere ac eciam lumini Spiriti ibidem ijd.

Thys is the last will of me Thomas Wyldon mayd the day and yere abovesayd. To Lettes my wyff iij acres lande of my lorde Wentworthe fee the terme of her lyff, kepyng a stylly obbyt yerly as long as she lyffyth for the soulys of Robert Wyldon and Anne and Thomas Wyldon and Agnes and for my soule and for my benefactors, and aftyr the decease of Lettes my wyff I will that the sayd iij acres remayn to Robert my sonne and to hys assinges, kepyng the forsayd obbyt duryng the tyme of hys naturall lyff. To Lettes my wyff vij acres lande and iij roodes wyth the buyldynges of Burghlion fee the terme of her lyff, on thys condicion that she gyff viijd. by the yere duryng her lyff to the kepyng of the obbyt on Trinite Monday, and aftyr the decease of Lettes my wyff I will that the lands remayn to Robert my sonne and to hys assynges paying the aforesayd viijd. yerly to the sayd obbyt as long as it shall be kepyd prayng for all my good frendes soulys. To Lettes my wyff my red house with vij acres and iij roodes lande of my lordes Abbot fee the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease I will that the house and land remayn to Robert my sonne and to hys assinges, on thys condicion that the sayd Robert hys heyres or hys executors pay or do to be payd to my exec' and to my wyff exec' vjl. xiijs. iiijd. within the space of vij yeres next insewyng, that is every yere xxss. till the foresayd sum be fully

payd, and they to dispose the sayd money aftyr thys maner: to Roger Garnet, my godsun, xijs. iiijd., and yff he fortune to dy to remayn to Hellyn hys syster; also I will that xls. be disposyd in the reparacions of the bellys and bell frame and other thynges that hath most nede abowte the bell fraym; I will that v marke be disposyd on the gyldyng of the Trinite; I will that xiijs. iiijd. be disposyd in the [folio 238d.] reparacion of Moldroue gate from the far corner of my low pastre to sowth hed. Yff Lettes my wyff fortune to marry then I will that Robert my sonne shall enter into my hed house and viij acres and iiij roodes land of my lorde Abbottes fee, payng the sayd vjl. xiijs. iiijd. after the forme aforesayd. To Thomas Wylyson, my godsun, my best brasse potte, and to hys heyres of hys body laufully begottyn, remainder to Agnes hys syster yff she be then lyffyng, or ellis to Margaret hys syster. To Roger Garnet, my godsun, my next best brasse potte to hym and to hys heyres, remainder to Helene hys syster. I will that Lettes my wyff have all my houshold stuff the terme of her lyff, and she to dispose it at her deyd day emong my chyldren and ther chyldren. The resydue of my goodes I put to the disposicion of Lettes my wyff, whome I make my executrix to bryng me forthe, [etc.], with the oversyght of William Thurkyll, and he to have for hys labor xxid. Thes beyng wytnes, Jamys Here, preste; Thomas Parkyn; John Mayne; Thomas Dygill; and Robert Sherman; wyth other moy.

Proved before P., at Spalding, 23 May, 1531, by the executrix.

TESTAMENT OF EDMUND HOBSON [OF SPALDING, MERCER].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 263d.]

19 September, 1530. I Edmund Hobson of Spaldyng, marcer, make and orden thys my present testament and last will. To be buryed in the parysh church of our Lady and saynt Nicholes of Spaldyng betwyxt the fonte and the west church dore as nygh the fonte as may be. To the hygh alter of the parysh church of Spaldyng for tithys [folio 264] forgotten xs. To the sayd high alter on alter clothe of lynnyn. I bequeth a pyx of sylver and clene gylte to bere the blessyd Sacrament in, extendyng to the valew off lijs. iiijd. To the high quere of the sayd parysh church ij copyss off blew sattyn of Brydgys the price of bothe lvijs. iiijd. for the rectors of the quere, and too stoolys for the same use of the valew of xiijs. iiijd. To the Trinite gylde in the sayd church vjs. viijd. To our Lady gylde vjs. viijd. To Corpus Xp'i gylde in the sayd church xiijs. iiijd. To the alter of Corpus Xp'i on alter clothe of lynnyn and a corporax. To the mayntenance of the light of the same quere xli. wax. To the devucion of st Thomas vjs. viijd., an alter clothe of lynnyn, and to every devucion besyde in the sayd church xvjd. To the church warke xs. To the mendyng of the northe wall of the church yerde xs. I will that my executors shall distribute and gyff for the helth of my soule and all crysten soulys in funeral expenses at my buryall day and xxxth day, xl. To my brother George Hobson duryng the terme of hys lyff naturall my house in Fulny with all the appurtenances to cause on obbyt yerly to be kepyd in the Trinite qwere within the parysh churche of Spaldyng, extendyng to the valoy of vs., and after the dethe of my brother George I will it remayn to the forsayd Trinite

gylde church of Spaldyng dewryng the terme of lxxxj for kepyng of the sayd yerly obbyt in forme aforesayd dewryng the sayd terme, and for lak of kepyng of the sayd yerly obbyt I will that the sayd house with the purtenances remayn to the next of my blode ; and the forsayd terme of lxxxj expyryd then I will the sayd house with the purtenances remayn to the next of my blode then beyng alyff. Also I will that sir Richerd Bell shall syng for me and all my good frendes the space of on yere in Corpus Xp'i qwere, he to have for hys labor *vl.* *vjs.* *vijd.* To every order of frerys within the towne of Boston *ijs.* To the mendyng of the high way in the Market stede wher most nede is and *ij.* botrys of stone at the high bryg *iijl.*, and the market hyll to be pavyd with the same money. I bequeuth toward the mendyng of the lane of thys syde of Broughton crosse betwene thys and Pynchbek and wher most nede is *xs.* To my lorde of Spaldyng for syngyng of messe hym selffe on the day of my buryall a ryall of golde, and to every on of hys brethren that be prestes *xijd.*, and every other that be not prestes *vijd.* and [folio 264d.] every clerke of the abbay *iijd.*; to the bell rynger of the abbey *ijs.* To the roode chyrch a super altare and on alter cloth. I will that dewryng the space of *vj* yeres every Sonday shall be gyffyn to eight pore persons by the handes of my executors *iijd.* I wyll that dewryng the space of *iiij* yeres my executors every Good Fryday shall distrybute emong *xly* pore persons wher they shall thynke most nede *xld.*, and *ijs.* in bred on All Halloy evyn dewryng the space of the forsayd *iiij* yeres. Also on New Yere evyn to *xxiiij^{ty}* pore people wher most nede shall be dewryng the space of *iiij* yeres *ijs.* To George Hobson, my brother, my house in the Market stede dewryng hys lyff, and aftyr hys decease then I will that the forsayd house shall remane to William Hobson, hys sonne, when he cumyth to *xxj* yeres of age. And yff it fortune that the forsayd George Hobson dye or hys sun cum to *xxj* yeres of age, then I will that my brother executors or assygnes shall let the house and kepe the rentes theroff to the behove of the sayd William to he cum to *xxj^{ty}* yeres of age ; and yff it fortune that the forsayd William Hobson dye withoutt a sonne of hys body, then I wyll that the forsayd house shall be solde for *xxl.*, wich *xxl.* I will shall be devyded in *iiij* partes, that is to say, *vl.* to the next of my blode, other *vl.* to be devydyd emonges pore people, other *vl.* to the mendyng of hygh ways, *xxs.* to the marige of *xx^w* pore maydes, *xls.* to the mendyng of brygges in Spaldyng and the high way to Pynchbeke, and *xls.* to Johan and Alice Hobson syster [*sic*] to the sayd William to ther heyres executors or assignes. Also I bequeuth *xxxiiijl.* *iijs.* wich Nicholes Worldege ought me for a bargyn of lande to be payd to me my executors or assygnes yerly *xvijs.* the hole somme of *xxxiiijl.* *iijs.* be fully contentyd and payd, in thyss maner foloyng, I will that *xvijs.* *iijd.* of the forsayd *xxxiiijl.* *iijs.* yerly as it shall be payd shall be takyn to pay yerly to *vij* pore persons every Sonday duryng the space of *vj* yeres as it is above wryttyn and the sex yeres paste ; I bequeuth to my brother George *vijl.* of the reste ; to Elizabeth my brother wyff *iijl.* of the reste ; to William Hobson *iijl.* of the reste ; to John Hobson *iijl.* of the reste of the same ; to Alice Hobson *iijl.* of the reste of the same ; to William Hobson, my brother, *iijl.* of the reste of the same ; every on to be payd after other as they be her wrytten, and on to be always other heyres in order

as I have bequethyd it to them ; and after that all thys be payd I will
ijijl. of the reste of the same be gyffyn to syng vj trentallys. I bequeath
[folio 265] my house at the Barre end to George Hobson, my brother,
unto the tyme that hys daughter Alice cum to laufull age ; and then
I will that she have the forsayd house with the appurtenances for her
and her heyres of her body ; and yff she dye or she cum to laufull age
or withoutt issue of her body then I wyll that her suster Johanne have
it in forme aforesayd ; and in fawte of issue of Johanne I will that it
remayn to the next of my blode. I bequeath my house in Gosberkyrk
and all my landes lying in Gosberkyrk, Quadryng, and Surflet to my
brother George hys heyres executors or assignes. I bequeath my too
housys of my copy holde with the appurtenances lying in Burne to my
brother George and Elizabeth hys wyff and to hys heyres off ther bodyes
laufully begotten. I bequeath too pastures lying in Spaldyng, wich I
holde off my lorde of Spaldyng by bylls, to my brother George hys
heyres executors and assynges for the terme of yeres that I have takyn
them. To my brother George my best chest, my cownter, my best
furryd gowne, my best tawny gawperdyne, my tawny dooblet and jaket
jamlet, a sylver salte with the cover, on pece of sylver, v sylver sponys,
on jak and sallet with a pare of splentes and a standert, [etc.], also liijl.
in money. To William Hobson, the sonne of George Hobson, my best
cownter after the decease of hys father, [etc.]. To Johan Hobson,
the daughter of George Hobson, a lytyll chyst with angels, [etc.]. To
Alice Obson, the daughter of George Hobson a latten basyn with a
laver, ij sylver sponys, [etc.] ; and I wyll that eche of thes chyldren be
other heyres yff any of them dye within laufull age. [folio 265d.] To
Elizabeth Hobson wyff of George Hobson. To Wylliam my brother my
tawney medlay gawberdyne. To my cosyn, Robert Hobson, my blak
gowne furryd with whyte, my bukskyn dooblet, my best hose, and my
best bonet, and vjs. viijd. in money. To William Panke of Baston and
hys wyff vjs. viijd. To Alice Vtwell, my servant, a fether bed, a bolster,
ij pylloys with ores, a whyte bed with tester, ij pare of flaxen schetys,
ij beddes standyng, all the payntyd clothes that hang abowt my parlar
and the hangyng at the high dease in the house wher my brother George
dwellys, the shelffe bordes in my house wher I dwell with the payntyd
clothys longyng thereto, a basyn and a laver and the presse in my
chamber, a chaffyng dyshe, a byg candylstyk ij smale candylstykes, a
small spytt, iij qwyshens next best, ij sawcers, a coveryng next best,
a cownter in my brother George house, a thrawne chare, on of the tables
in the kytchyn, and a forme, a joyned stole, and v markes of money,
and a olde pewter basyn. To Jenet Horne, my keper, vs. I bequeath a
braysen morter with the pestell to the use of our Lady kytchyn ther
to be cheynyd. The resydewe of all my goodes I committ hooly to the
disposicion of my brother, George Hobson, whome with Thomas Day,
chaundler, I make executors, my brother George to have for hys payn
takyn ijijl. besydes all that I have bequethyd hym before, and Thomas
Day, my other executor, to have for hys payn takyn xxvj. viijd. And
I make my lord prior Thomas Spaldyng supervisor, and he to have
therfore a sylver goblet gylte and iij of my best qwyshens. Thes beyng
wytnes, sir Robert Gee ; sir Richerd Bell ; John Beston ; George Cokrell ;
Thomas Gammyll ; and William Wyllesby ; with other.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530. Administration granted to George Hobson, an executor, Thomas Day, the co-executor renouncing, etc.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HUDDYLSSTONE OF ROWSTON.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 369d.]

19 September, 1530. I John Huddylstone of Rowston make my testament conteyning therin my last will. To be buried in the church yerde of Rowston. To Mawd my wyff the thyrd parte of all my goodes moveable (excepte my woole wheroff I will she shall have the vi^{te} parte or the price therof). To every one of my fyve doughters viijl. to be delyveryd to them be my executors at ther mariages. To Emot my eldest doughter iiij markes, and all the houshold stuff wich was my fathers over [folio 370] and besyde her sayd legacy of viijl. And yff it fortune any of my sayd doughters to decease before ther mariages, then I will the sayd legacys be equally devydyd emong the other survyvyng. To Robert my sone all those landes wich I had of my father be inheritaunce to hym and to hys heyres male of hys body laufully begottyn, remainder to Godfrey my brother and to the heyres male of hys body. I will that the sayd Robert my sonne have all my landes and copys wich I have be my own purches to hym and to the heyres of hys body, and for lak of suche issue to remayn equally to my fyve doughters and to the heyres of ther bodys; and yff any of them dy without suche issue then I will that the parte of her or them so deceasyd shall remayn to the other of them survyvyng and to the heyres of ther bodys. I will that my wyff and Robert my sone shall kepe house and my chyldren together so long as they too can agre. I will that xl. be delte emong pore people for my soule, the soulys of my father and mother, and all crysten soulys, at the day of my buryall and viij^{te} day. To our Lady in the chapell of Rowston vjs. viijd. therwith sum ornament to be bought bi the disreccsion of my executors wherby she may be the better honoryd. To the high altare of Rowston for my forgottyn tithys iijs. iiijd. To the kyrke stok ther vjs. viijd. To every pore body in the towne of Rowston a stryke of malte. To every one of my sistres iijs. iiijd. To iiij townys nexte jonyng abowt the towne of Rowston every one of them iijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. I will have a preste to syng for my soule, the soulys of my father and mother, and all crystyn soulys, in the chapell of Rowston by the space of ij yeres, and he to have for hys salary and wages xl. by the yere, to be payd be my executors. To Richerd Robsun. To every one of my brother Godfrey sonnys [folio 370d.]. To Robert Holme. To Edwarde Forman. To the iiij orders of frerys in Lincoln, every place to have xvjd. and a stryke of barly. To m^r Robert Husey xxs. for to be good to my wyff and to my chyldren. To the dale cawsy vjs. viijd. To Catheryne my mayd. To the nonnys of Catley xs. To the house of Hauerham xs. To Godfrey my brother. To John Holme. To William Halyday. The resydue of my goodes I gyff unto Robert my sonne and William Forman, whome I make my executors. To William Forman for hys payn takyng xxs. To my brother Godfrey xxs., and I make hym supervisor. Wytnes, sir William Warde, prest; John Dawnse; Robert Morwyk; Robert Greg; sir

Richerd Warde; Godfrey Huddylstone; and Walter Bate; with other moy.

Proved before P., in the cathedral church of Lincoln, 24 November, 1531. Administration granted to Robert Huddylstone, the son, an executor, William Forman, also an executor, renouncing.

TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM FLETE [OF MOULTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 261.]

20 September, 1530. I William Flete of Multon, seke of body, makes my will. To be buryed in the churchyerd of Multon. To the mother church of Lincoln iiijd., and to the orphans at st Catheryns iiijd. To the iiiij lighttes in the church of Multon viijd. To the high alter of Multon pro decimis oblitis iiijd. I wyll that a trentall off messys be sayd in the church of Multon for my soule and all soulys. And the resydew of my goodes I gyff to Jane Flete, my wyff, whome I make executor. And I will that Thomas Gere, my father in lawe, be the oversear. Thes to wytnes, John Symson; William Cok; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BROWNE [OF HUMBERSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 220.]

21 September, 1530. I John Browne off Humbreston makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of Humbreston forsayd. For xt forgottyn to the parson on bushell weyt, and to the vicar on bushyll whet. To my parysh churche xijd. To our lady chyrche of Lincoln iiijd. To the holy roude of Boston iiijd. To st Margaret at Kettesby iiijd. To Tetney chyrche iiijd. To Holton chyrch iiijd. To the abbot of Welhoo on schepe. I wyll that John Browne, my sone, and Elizabeth my daughter have the thyrde parte of my goodes moveable and vnmmoveable. The resydewe of my goodes not bequethyd I gyff to Helene my wyff, whome I make my full executrix to dispose them as she shall thynke beste and for the helthe of my soule. I orden and put in trust my father Robert Hede supervisor to se thys my last will suerly fulfyllyd. Thes recordes, sir Thomas Vnderhill, vicar; Thomas Clerkeson; Richerd Dykokes; and other.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 11 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM SOMERCOTES [OF PINCHBECK].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 264.]

21 September, 1530. I William Somercotes of Pynchbek makes my last testament and will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of Pynchbek. To the high alter for tithys forgottyn vjd. To the church warke of Lincoln iiijd. and to st Catheryns ijd. I will have disposyd of messe and dirige at my buryall day iijs. iiijd. The reste of all my goodes I gyff them to Margaret my wyff whome I make executrix, with m^r Ogle to be supervisor, and he to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd.

I make my last will in the same day and date abovenamyd. To Margaret my wyff my house by the see syde with the appurtenances, and my house in the northgate the terme off her lyff, and after her decease

the house by the see syde to remayn to Beatrice my daughter and to the heires of her body, and the house in the northe gate to remayn to Beatrix my daughter the terme of her lyff, and after her decease I will it be solde by the churchwardens of Pynchbek, then beyng, and the on halff of the money to be disposyd in on prest to syng, and the other halffe to be disposyd in high ways and to pore folkes in the towne of Pynchbeke. I will that after the decease of Beatrice my daughter, yff she dye withoutt heires of her body, that my house by the see syde with the appurtenances remane to the thre chylder of Thomas Tylson that were my sistres chyldren, and the rente of the above namyd house evenly to be devydyd to them, yff they then be all thre alyve, the terme of ther lyvys, or so long as any on of them shall lyff; and after the decease of them all thre I will the house by the see syde remane to John Pedder, the sonne of William that was my sistres sonne, yff he then be a lyff, the terme of hys lyff; and after hys decease I will it be solde by the wardens of the church of Pinchbek then beyng, and the on halffe of the same money to be disposyd of prest song, and the other halffe to be disposyd in hy ways and to pore folkes in the same towne. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Hyll, prest; John Bele; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT GROWARDE [OF ROPSLAY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 253.]

1530. I Robert Grawarde, in good helthe, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churchyeerde of Roppeslay. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln vjd. To the hygh alter of st Peter of Roppeslay ijs. To the churche of Botheby xijd. To the frerys of Grantham xijd. To William Jarcoke vjd. To iij chyldren off my wyffes. The resydewe of all my goodes I gyff to Johan Graward, my wyff, for to doy as she thyndes best for the helthe off my soule, whome I make executrix. I will that Richerd Styne of Botheby be supervisor. These witness, sir William Jarcoke; Thomas Kellam; Robert Barnarde.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 22 September, 1530. Administration granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF MARGARET HOWSON [OF SCARTHOE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 325.]

22 September, 1530. I Margaret Howsson of Scartho make my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of Scartho. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln vjd. To the high alter of Scartho xijd. A schete to make a alter clothe of to Scartho churche the best that I have. To Richerd my sonne a complete bed, [etc.]. To Jenet my yongest daughter. To Jenet my eldest daughter. To Jane my daughter. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Thomas my sonne, whch I make my executor, y^t he dispose it to the pleas' of God and to the helth of my soule. Wytnes herof, sir John Fysher, parson of Scarthoo; Richerd Jobson; Edwarde Alan; cum aliis.

Proved at Grymesby, 15 March, 1530-1, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. PAKKER [OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 278d.]

22 September, 1530. I William Pakker of Boston make thys my testament therin concludyng my last will. My body to [be] buried within the paryshe churche of st Botulphe in Boston nyghe unto my wyffys Alyson and Isabell of whose soulys God have mercy. To my mortuary accordyng to the custome. To the high altare of st Botulphe for tithes forgottyn xijs. iiijd. To our Lady churche of Lincoln xx.^d. To the fatherles children of st Catheryns xiij.^d. To every beadman of our Lady gylde in Boston beyng at dirige and messe on my buryall day viijth day and xxx^{tv} day, and to the keper of our Lady house, every one of them to have eche off the days a penny. To the gylde of st George ther to pray for my soule and all crysten soulys iijs. iiijd. To the Trinite gylde to pray in lyke maner iijs. iiijd. I will that the iiiij orders of frerys go with my body to the churche and there syng dirige and one the morow every one of the sayd orders to synge messe in ther owne churche and every order of them to have for ther labor iijs. iiijd. To John Pakker, my sonne, 30l. to be payd to hym hys executors or assygnes, that is to say at the age of xxj^{tv} yeres xl. and that day twelvemonethes xl. and at the twelvemonethes day then next foloyng other xl. To the same John too fether beddes, the secund couering, a couerlyd, half a garnysh of vessell, my too saltes with the covering, too goblyttes with the couering, also a dozen sponys of the maydens hedes too pecys, the one playne and the other pounçyd. To Margaret my daughter my house that Gylbert Dale dwellys in, and she to have it immediatly aftyr my decease duryng her lyff naturall uppon thys condicion that she kepe the sayd house in sufficient reparacion, pay the owt rent, and also pay yerly unto the prior and convent of the [folio 279] Whyte Frerys in Boston for one obite which I will be kepte there for ever for the soulys of John Thomson, Agnes and Jenet hys wyfes, ijs. vjd., the belman and all. And aftyr the decease of the sayd Margaret I will the sayd house remayne to John Pakker, my sone, and hys heires for ever, yff he lyff to the age of xxj yeres, kepyng the sayd obbyt aftyr the maner and forme as is aforesayd. I will that the prior of the Whyte Frerys or other to the use of the same place take possession and sesure in the sayd house for the sewrty of the sayd obite (yff the law will suffer it). To the same John my sonne the house that was Lauertons aftyr the decesse of Catheryne my wyff, to hym hys heires and assygnes for ever yff he lyff to the age of xxj yeres. Yff the sayd John decesse before the age of xxj^{tv} yeres, then I will the sayd xxx^{tv} poundes [etc.] to hym before gyvyn be equally shyftyd betwyxte Catheryne my wyffe and Dorothe and Margaret my daughters, my wyffe to have the one halffe and my daughters the other halff; and the too housys aforesayd to remayne to the performance of myne obbit, as aftyrwarde shall followe, always reservyd the obite of John Thomson and hys wyffes before rehersyd. To Thomas Cappe and Dorothe hys wyff the house and lande which I bought of William Day, duryng the lyff of them and ether of them, and aftyr ther decesse, I will they remayn to Cecily ther daughter yff she lyff aftyr them, to her heires and assygnes. To the sayd Thomas Cappe aftyr my decesse the money that I lent hym. To Dorothe Cappe and Margaret her syster the gerdyll and beades that was ther mothers, and

to be equally shyftyd betwyxte them aftyr the decesse of Catheryne my wyff and yff it please my wyff to have the sayd gyrdyll and bedes, then I will she gyff ether of them xxxs., and she to have the sayd gyrdyll and beades to her owne use to do withall what she please. To the abbot of Bardene and hys brethern xls., they to syng dirige and messe for my soule, my wifes soules, and all crysten soulys. To George Johnson xxs. yff hys awnt will. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Catheryne my wyff, whome I orden my [folio 279d.] executrix upon this condicione, that she by or cause to be bought as muche lande to the valew of xxs. be yere, all maner off chargys of the same lande excepte, or ellys asmuche money as will purchase the sayd lande which lande or money I will the alderman and bretherne of the gylde of our Lady in Boston have for the terme and space of lxxxxij yeres nexte ensuyng my decesse for an obyte which I will be kepte yerly duryng the terme aforesayd to the valew of xs., which obyt I will be kepte yerly emonges the iiiij orders of Frerys in Boston, and yff the alderman and brethern of the gylde aforesayd can obteyne and make sure the sayd lande by the law for ever, then I will my sayd obyte be kepte in maner and forme as is aforesayd for ever, and yf not then I will that it be sold be the alderman and brethern of the gylde for the tyme beyng and the money therof receyvyd to be disposyd emong pore people and other warkes of charite wher it shall be thought at that tyme most nede within the town of Boston, provydyd always that yff my goodes and other premisses do extende to the performance of the sayd obite, then I will my sayd executrix be nor further chargyd of that behalff but as conscience requiryth, [etc.]. I will that m^r Bryggus be supervisor, and to have for hys labor xls. Thes wytnes, Geffrey Wace ; per me Willielmum Day ; per me Nicholaum Blewet.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN FRAWCE [OF LOUND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 255.]

1530 A.D. I John Frawce of Lownde within the parysh of Wytham makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of Wytham. I gyff for my mortuary as the lawe askes. To the high alter of the parysh churche of Wytham for tythe and offerynges negligently forgotten xijd. To the bellys of Wytham xijd. To the gyldes of Wytham xijd. To the mother church of Lincoln xijd. To Robert Frawcy, my sonne, To Thomas Frawce, my sonne. To John Frawcy, my brother sonne. To Agnes Frawcy, my brother doughter. To Robert Frawcy, my father. To John Frawcy. The resydue of my goodes I gyff Agnes Frawce, my wyff, she to dispose them for the helthe and salvacion of my soule as she thynkes best. Thes beryng wytnes, sir John Ryley, notary ; Thomas Frawcy ; Robert Frawcy ; with other.

Proved before P., at Creton, 23 September, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT ENDERBY [OF MANBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 322.]

27 September, 1530. I Robert Enderby of Manby, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the churchyerde of

our blesyd Lady in Manby. To the high alter in the same church iijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady gylde of Manby vjs. viijd. for to be occupied aftyr the forme as it is begune, and to ther gylde hall a new table. To the parysh church of Lyttaill Carleton iijs. iiijd. To the parysh church of Legborne iiijd. To the parysh church of Stewton iiijd. To the parysh church of Grymolby iiijd. To my naturall mother iijl. vjs. viijd. To Jenet my wyff xxth marks. To Thomas my sonne xl., and to John my sonne xl. And yff so be the on departe thys worlde under the yeres of xv yeres, then the other to be hys heyr and executor. To every on of my godchylldren men and women xijd., provydyd alway yf so be that my goodes will not bere thes parcellys above rehersyd then I will that my executors mitigat of thes sommes afore rehersyd aftyr ther discrestions of Robert Hogeson and John Fodergyll, whome I make executors and ether of them to have for ther labor iijs. iiijd. The resydue not wyt nor gyffyn to Robert Hogeson and John Fodergyll. I will that sir Thomas Forman be supervisor, and he to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd. His testibus, sir Thomas Forman; Thomas Maw; Robert Redhed; William Henryson; with other moy

Proved before P., at Tottyll, 3 March, 1530-1. Administration granted to Robert Hogeson, an executor, reserving power to grant to John Fodergyll, etc.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN DAUVYSON [OF EAST BARKWITH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 223d.]

28 September, 1530. I John Dauyson of Barkeworth makes my testament. My body to be buried in the church yerde of our Lady in Estbarkeworth. To the high alter of the monastery in Lincoln xx^d. To the warkes off the same xx^d. To the highe alter in the church of Estbarkeworth iijs. iiijd. To the church warke of the same on quarter of barly. To the iiiij housys of Frerys in Lincoln, to every on viijd. To the church warke of Sotby vjs. viijd. To the church warke of All Haloyis in Benyngworth vjd. To the church warke of st Julian in Benyngworth vjd. To sir William Beche, parson off Estbarkeworth, xijs. To John Davyson, my sonne, xijs. iiijd. To William Davyson, my sonne. I will ther be on trentall done for the well of my soule and all crysten soulys. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Johan my wyff and to John Boryth of Markyt Staynton, whome I make executors, by the counsell of sir William Beche, parson of Estbarkeworth. Thes wytnes, William Johnson, William Stonys, John Bell, of Barkeworth aforesayd.

Proved before P., at Wragby, 14 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN TYD [OF PINCHBECK].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 252.]

29 September, 1530. I John Tyd of Pynchbek makes my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the churchyerde of our Lady in Pynchbek. To the high alter within the church of Pynchbek iiijd. To every alter within the sayd church ijd. To our Lady of Lincoln for oblacions iiijd. To the fatherles chylder in st Catheryns ijd. To Elizabeth my wyff my pasture callyd Lawyns Coyt wich I toke of the abbot of Vawdy by byll for the terme of forty yere. To Catheryne,

Janet, Agnes, and Elizabeth my daughters xijs. iiijd. each. I will that every on of my chylder shall receyve ther money at the age of xvij yeres. Yff eny of them dy or they cum to xvij yere, I will ther partes be devydyd equally emonges them that lyfes. And yff so be that they all dy, I will that the money that they sholde have had be disposyd for the helthe of my soule and my chylder soulys as my executryx thynkes most beste. The resydewe of my goodes I put them to the disposicion of Elizabeth my wyff, whome I orden executrix; and I desyre my father and John Hyll to be supervisors, and I wyll that my father have my lytyll whyte mare for hys labor, and John Hyll for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Thes beyng wytnes, Wylliam Bewyk, prest; William Bath; William Medus; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM NUDYKE [OF WHAPLODE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 239.]

3 October, 1530. I William Nudyke of Whaplude, seke of body, make thys my last will. My body to be buryed in the churchyerde of Whaplode. To the high altare iiijd. To the church warkes of Whaplode ijd. To every altare in the churche jd. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd., and to the chyldren of st Catheryns ijd. To Agnes my wyff one acre of lande lying of the west of Hasbych gate, and aftyr her decease to Margaret my daughter to her and to her heyres of her body. If Margaret my daughter decease or that she cum at laufull age, I will the sayd lande shall be solde be the vyse of the churchwardons to the behoyff of the church warkes. The resydew of my goodes I put them to the disposicion of Agnes my wyff, whome I make my executrix for to bring me forthe, [etc.]. Wytnes herof, sir Thomas Seyton, capellanus; John Thaker; Alane Howyll; Charlys Male; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 23 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM CONNE [OF NETTLETON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 327.]

4 October, 1530. I William Conne of Netylton, makes my will. I wyt my soule to God allmyghty, [etc.]. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of st John in Netylton. I wyt to the high alter in Netilton church iiijd. I wyt to st John in Netylton church iiijd. I wyt to our Lady warke in Lincoln iiijd. The resydue of my goodes not wyt I make Elizabeth my wyff executrix, and Robert Cottyngham of Cadney supervisor. Thes men wytnes, Xp'ofe Smyth; Robert Jonson; John Colby.

Proved before P., at Castre, 16 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT HELDE [OF WALTHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 324.]

4 October, 1530. I Robert Hede of Waltham makes my testament. My body to be buryd within the church of All Halloys of Waltham with that that is dew to the church aftyr the law. To the high alter wythin the church of Waltham for forgottyn tithys xjd. To the bellys in the sayd churche xjd. To our mother church of Lincoln vjd. To our

Lady warkes in the sayd church vjd. To the church of Bradley vjd. To the church of Granesby iiijd. To the church of Thoresby vjd. I wyll that ther be done within the church of Waltham a trentall of messes for the helth of my soule. The resydew of my goodes I wyll that Agnes my wyff have and occupy them for the terme of her lyff, and aftyr that I will that John Helde, my sonne, and William Campyon, my sone in lawe, have and devyde evynly. I make my executors Agnes Helde my wyff and sir John Clerke, and the sayd sir John Clarke to have for hys pane vjs. viijd. Wytnes herof, sir William Yeff; Thomas Vincent; Simond Howson; George Moryson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 15 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JAMES BARGEYN [OF MOULTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 266.]

6 October, 1530. I Jamys Bargeyn of Molton, seke of body, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed within the church yerde of Multon. I bequeth in the name of my mortuary that the lawe will requyre. To the high alter in Multon church for tithys forgottyn xiijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln viijd. To st Catheryne without the wallys in Lincoln iiijd. To iij commen lyghttes in Multon church every on of them ijd. To the church warke of Multon viijd. To Jane my wyff a pastre callyd Wygghtes Grene the terme of her lyff, and after her dethe I will that the forsayd pastre remayn vnto Bennyt Vpplay aftyr the custome of the lord schyp, the wich pastre afore namyd I do surrender to the handes of Robert Herbe to the behoyff of Jane my wyff. The resydewe off all my goodes to Jane my wyff, whome I make my hole executrice, [etc.]. Thes beryng wytnes, sir Xp'ofe Wright; Robert Herbe; William Crosse; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 28 October, 1530. Administration granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT GYLMAN [OF COLEBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 348.]

6 October, 1530. I Robert Gylman of Colby, seke in body, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryd in the church of All Halloys of Colby before our Lady alter. To the high alter of Colby for forgottyn tithys iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the bellys of Colby vjd. To the rode light of Colby ijd. To st Catheryns light ijd. To st Margaretes light jd. To our Lady light of Colby vjs. viijd. To Margery my sonne doughter. To John Goffe my servant. To Jenet my servant. I will that the resydue of my goodes be devydyd in too partes, the on parte to Jenet my wyff and the other parte to be solde and a prest to syng for my soule as far as it will extende. And as for my sonne William had hys thyrde parte when he was maryd he was content at the makynge of my will. Wyth the supervision of sir Thomas Thomson and John Goffe my brother, and they to have for ther labors, to the sayd sir Thomas ijs., and my brother a quarter barly. Thes wytnes, sir Thomas Thomson; John Kylham; Thomas Thorpe; Richerd Jesoppe; John Thorpe; with other moy.

Proved at Braunceton, 21 March, 1530-1, by the executors (*not named*).

THE TESTAMENT OF AGNES SORE [OF WADDINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 225.]

6 October, 1530. I Agnes Sore of the parysh of Wadyngton, vidoy, makyth my wyll. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of Wadyngton. To the high alter viijd. To sir Thomas my brother my husband best dooblet, [etc.]. To sir Robert my gostly father xxd. For my husband v messys. My best kyrchyff to the churche for a corporax. To Betterys Home my best kyrtyll, a grene coverlyt, [etc.]. To Margery my servand my rownd gowne, ij smokkes, too kyrchyffes, and a napurne. To Robert my brother a shod wayn, [etc.]. To Thomas Sore. To Thomas Vavesor. To Richerd Whyte wyff. To John Mylner doughter a yerde of hardyn clothe. To Elizabeth Sutton a yerde of hardyn clothe. The reste of all my goodes to my bretherne William, John, and George, whome I make my executors to dispose for my soule, my husband soule, and all crysten soulys, in the church of Wadyngton, as they shall thynke moste necessary. Wytnes, sir Robert Johnson; Robert Wyram; with other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 15 October, 1530, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF AGNES YONG [OF HOGSTHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 213d.]

1530. I Agnes Yong of Hoggesthorp, seke of body, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed within the church yerde of our blessyd Lady of Hoggesthorpe, and that thyngh that the law will require to be my mortuary. To the reparacions of the pyx iiijd. To the high alter of Hoggesthorp for tithys forgotten iiijd. To the bellys of Hoggesthorp xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln a sylver broche and ijd. To our Lady in the high quere of Hoggesthorp iiijd. To our Lady of Piety in the same churche iiijd. To Alice, Elizabeth, and Jenet my doughters. To Richerd and Robert my sonnes. To Thomas Swete, Henry Swete, and Robert Swete. To Jenet Shellys a coffer. The resydwewe to William my sonne, whome I make my executor to dispose for the helth of my soule and all crysten soulys. Wytnes therof, sir Henry Goodwyne; Thomas Lordwyn; John Page; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Alford, 6 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD BUSCHE [OF LEVERTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 386.]

8 October, 1530. I Richard Busche of Leverton makes my testament and last wyll. I bequeth my sole to almyghty God, to his moder saint Mary, [etc.]. My body to be buryd in the churche yard of Leverton. I bequeth for my mortuary as the law will requyre. To the ornamenteis of the hy awtur ther iiijd. To the parsonys of Leverton to be prayd for and forgoten tythes on cow and to ever [sic] other awtur yn the same churche ijd. To our Lady of Pete on shepe. To the churchwarkes of Leverton xs. To the churche warkes of Leeke iijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To st Katerins ijd. To the iiiij orders of Frees [sic] in Boston on quartar of barlay. To Elisabeth Coke. To

every on of my god chylderne iiijd. To Thomas Busche and Jenet hys sister on calfe. To Richard Busche on cow calfe. To Agnes Busche, my god chyld. To Robert Pyg. To Richard Busche the yongar. To Alice Strubbe. To John Busche the elder vjs. viijd. To Water Busche [folio 386d.] my sone all my landes howsys and tenementes lyng in Leverton, Benyngton, Leeke, and also in any other placce within the covnte of Lyncln, to him and to his heres and assins. The resedew of my goodes to Water Busche, my sone, whom I make my executur, [etc.], to dyspose for my sole helthe as he thinkyth shal be most ples' to God, desiring John Busche the elder to helpe to bryng me forthe at my bereyng, and after to medyll no more with no part of my goodes. Thes witnesse, sir Richard Shepard, parson of the north part of the churche of Leverton; sir Robart Symson; John Busche; and John Croft; with other.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 7 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT SPARKE [OF TIMBERLAND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 362d.]

8 October, 1530. I Robert Sparke of Tymberland parysh, makes my last will. My body to be buryed in the kyrke yerde of st Androy of Tymberlande. To the high alter off Tymberlande for forgottyn tithys viijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To the reparacions of Tymberlande kyrke vjs. viijd. To the convent of Tupholme xxvjs. viijd., wich the abbot of Tupholme ought afore tyme to me. To Margaret Kyme. The resydue of my goodes to John Sparke, my sone, and to Jenet my wyff, whome I make my executors. I will that sir Robert Dawke be the supervisor. Wytnes herof, sir Robert Dawke, my gostly father; Xp'ofer Grene; Thomas Grevelay; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Braunceton, 19 April, 1531. Administration granted to Joan the relict, reserving power to grant to John Sparke, the other executor, when he shall come.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM JOHNSON [OF BRATOFT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 320d.]

10 October, 1530. I William Jonson of Bratofte, makes my last will. My body to be buryd within the churchyerde of Bratofte of saintes Peter and Pall, and my mortuary as the law requiryth. To the high alter of the same xijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To Bratofte kyrke iijs. iiijd. To be delte at my buryall xxs. To Julyan Jonson xl. To Catheryne my wyff all my landes duryng the tyme of her lyff, and the thyrde parte off all my goodes, and then I will that the forsayd landes go to my doughters and ther chylder laufull begotten of ther bodys, that is for to say to Alice, Jenet, Isabell, and Julyan. The resydue of my goodes to Catheryne my wyff, whome I make my executrix, that she dispose them for the helth of my soule and all my good frendes soulys; and Thomas Symson of Waynfforth to be my supervisor. Thes beyng wytnes, sir William Pygot; sir Edwarde Hamond.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 11 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF BARNARD RICHMAN [OF TALLINGTON].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 309d.]

10 October, 1530. I Bernarde Richman of Tallyngton, makes my will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of Tallyngton. To our Lady of Lincoln iiiijd. To the high alter of Tallyngton iiiijd. To sepulcre light of Tallyngton iij strykes of barly. To our Lady light and st Laurence light ij strykes of barly each. To our Lady of Pety and st Thomas light on stryke of barly each. To my servantes ij strykes of barly. I will that my burying day my viijth day and the xxxth day my wyff shall deale halpeny breade for my soule. I will that my wyff purches me the pardon of the gylde of Boston. The resydue of my goodes not bequethyd I will they be in the disposicion of Alice my wyff, who I make my full executrix, and John Hadden of Brasborow supervisor. Thes wytnessys, Richerd Watson; Henry Rak; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Stanford, 2 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM WYLSON [OF DENTON].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 366.]

10 October, 1530. I William Wylson of Denton, husbandman, makes my testament, [etc.]. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of the holy appostell st Androy in Denton. To the high altare of Denton a yow hogge. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiiijd. To William my sonne. To Thomas my sone. To Jenet my daughter. The resydewe of my goodes to Helene my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dyspose them to the welthe of my soule. Thes beryng wytnes, sir Thomas Hawkyn; Adam Foster; William Woodroff; Thomas Clyfton; William Jellyan; and other.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 17 October, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. HORNCASSTELL [OF LACEBY].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 354.]

12 October, 1530. I William Horncastell, of Laceby, husbandman, makes my will. My body to be buryed in the churche garthe of Laceby. To the high alter of the sayd churche viijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln viijd. I will that ther be done for me a trentall of messys. To the church warke of Laceby vs. To Xp'ofor Horncastell, my sonne. To Hugh Ansell. To Elizabeth Betneff. To John Betneff. The resydue of my goodes to Emmot my wyff, the wich I make my executrix. Thes men wytnes, Thomas Betneff; John Hogeson; Richarde Pycarde.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 27 April, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. CROSBY [OF HOUGHAM].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 307d.]

13 October, 1530. I Thomas Crosby of Hougham, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerd of All Haloyes off Hougham. To the high alter of Hougham iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To William Crosby, my broder. The

resydue of my goodes to Elizabeth my wyffe, the wiche I make executrix that she may dispose for the well of my soule. I will that Thomas Denton and William Harvy be the supervisors, and ether off them to have for ther labor iijs. iiijd. Thes wytnes, sir John Wymarke, prest; John Crosby; Thomas Denton; William Harvy; William Crosby; with oder moy.

Proved before P., at Ancastre, 27 February, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD LACAN [OF LUDBOROUGH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 323.]

13 October, 1530. I Richerd Lacan late of Ludburgh makes settes and ordens thys to be my last testament and will. My body to be buryd within the qwere of my parysh churche of our Lady of Ludburgh, and it to be at the discretion of my executors. I will that of all my goodes moveables that my dettes be payd. To my curat for my titheys forgottyn ijs. To the warke of the monastery of our mother church of Lincoln xvjd. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To the warke of my parysh churche vs. I will that sir Robert Fen, hermet of Ludburgh, say a trentall for my soule. To Jenet Lacan my wyff all my hole housys and landes [etc.], [folio 323d.] with all other the appurtenances thereto belongyng within the townys and feldys of Ludburgh, Burton Stater, and in all other placys within the shyer of Lincoln, for the bryngyng up of my chylder, duryng the terme of her lyff naturall, so that she sufficiently mayntene and upholde all and every houses and landes; and aftyr the decease of Jenet my wyff to remayn unto my right heyres of my body. To John Lacan, Thomas Lacan, and to Richerd Lacan, my sonnes, xxl. equally to be shyftyd emong them when they cum to laufull age. And yf it fortune enny of thes iij chyldren to decease or that they be at laufull age, then I wyll that ther partes remayn unto them that be lyffyng. And yff it fortune that they all departe thys present lyff or that they be at laufull age, then I will that thys xxl. be disposyd at the discretion of my executors, and they to dispose for the helthe of my soule; provydyd allway that when it shall fortune Jenet my wyff to marry withall I will that he be bounde strongly in obligacion with sufficient sewertyes for the payment of the forsayd xxl. accordyng to thys my last [will], or ellys the sayd xxl. to be delyveryd owt of her handes afore that she be maryed by the vice and discretion of Thomas Foster of Louth, John Rode the yonger, and sir George Soke my broder. To Mare my syster xs. To Anne my syster xxs. To Catheryne Sysson. To Elizabeth Bavys. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Jenet my wyff, whome I make on of my executors, and Thomas Foster of Louthe for to be another, gyffyng onely to hym for hys labor xxs. I bequeath to Jenet my wyff to occupy and have the parsonages of Ludburgh the wiche I have takyn by indentur of m^r George Gyls, parson off Ludburgh, for the terme and space of vj yeres fully to be endyd as more playnly dothe appere by hys indentur. Thes beryng wytnes, m^r George Gyls, parson of Ludburgh; John Cayd; Roger Fysher; Thomas Elfyn; Richerd Cayd; sir Robert Fen, hermet of Ludburgh; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Louth, 14 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JANNE ENDERBY [OF MANBY].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 267.]

14 October, 1530. I Jenet Enderby of Manby make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of our blessyd Lady of Manby. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the high alter of Manby iiijd. To the gylde of our Lady of Manby xijd. To John Lorland, my servant, xijd. To my mother a rownde gowne, [etc.]. To Hogeson wyff. To Ryby wyff of Hatton. To Thomas Dyconson wyffe. To Richerd Diconson wyff. To John Fodergyll wyff. To Herryson wyff. To [folio 267d.] my too goddoughters. To my chylder. Also it is my wyll that a pare of my beades go to our Lady of Lincoln. The resydewe of my goodes not wyt I gyff to John Fodergyll to dispose for my soule after hys own mynde. Thes wytnes, John Roland; Elizabeth Redhed; Katheryne Henryson; Agnes Glenthamb; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 19 November, 1530, by the executor.¹

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM FRAUNCYS [OF RIPPINGALE].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 266d.]

14 October, 1530. I William Frauncys of Repyngall make and orden my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church of Repyngall dedicat in the honor of st Androy the apostyll. To the parsons of the sayd churche ther to pray for my soule at the high alter xijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln xijd. To the fotherles chyldren of st Catheryne of Lincoln xijd. I bequeth on cowe to the churche of Repyngall to kepe my yere day. To the church of Repyngall on seme of barly. To the bellys of Repyngall xijd. To the roode within the church of Repyngall xijd. To the roode lyght xijd. I bequeth on schepe to our Lady light off Pety. To st Peter light halff a seame of malte. To John Burton. To Henry Burton. To John my servant. To William Burton. To Robert Clypson. To Margaret my doughter. I bequeth on trentall of messys to be sayd for the helth of my soule. I bequeth on di. trentall off messys for the helthe of John Toller soule. The resydewe of my goodes to Robert Frauncys, my sonne, and to Margaret Frauncys, my doughter, whome I orden executors. I will that John Cade be supervisor. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Xp'ofe Peyll, my gostly father; John Obbyn; John Clypson; John Cade; and Robert Lawe.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 28 October, 1530, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS BOTTERY [OF PINCHBECK].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 261.]

1530 A.D. I Thomas Bottery of Pynchbek do make my last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of Pynchbek. To the high alter ther for tithys forgotten xijd. To every alter in the sayd church iiijd. To the light of King Henry viijd. To st John alter a flaxen schete. To the church warke of Lincoln vjd. To st Catheryns iiijd. I will ther

¹ No executor is mentioned in the will, but the residuary legatee was presumably held to be the executor.

be bestowyd at my buryall day vijs. also at my viij day iijs. iiijd. I will my executor cause to syng for me at *Scali celi* v messys. To my brother my gowne and my dooblet, also to hys wyff a kyrchyff not mayd. To my awne syster my best kyrchyff and my best red cappe. To my god sun, the sonne of my brother, a rose and a bell of sylver. To my brother sonne. To John Eben my god sun a george of sylver. To Alice Tylson, Agnes Tylson, Jenet Tylson, and Thomas Tylson. To every on of my syster chylder a peeloy bere. To the eldest of my brothers chyldren a brasse pan, and to every on off hys other chylder a pewter platter yff they cum for them [folio 261d.] wt in thys yere, orelys I will all suche thynges bequethyd to my chylder and her syster and my brother chyldren be solde be my executor and the money takyn for it to be disposyd to pore people. To Xp'ofor Balanke my blew cote. To Jenet Shomaker. To the wyff of Xp'ofor Balanke a rale, a whyte purs wt on ryng havyng a harte of sylver of the same ryng. To Symon Thorpe a canvys dooblet. To Thomas Iogson. To Robert Hall. The resydew of my goodes I wyll that they be seen and prasyd by my nyghbors and the money for them takyn I will it be disposyd by Xp'ofor Balanby [sic], whome I make my executor. Thes wytnes, Thomas Hyll, prest; John Cliae; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 19 October, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. BROXHAM [OF OWERSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 328.]

20 October, 1530. I Willian Broxham of Owresby makes my wyll or testament. My body to be buryd in the kyrkgarth of st Martyn. I wyt to our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. I wyt to the high alter of st Martyn at Owresby iiijd. To the kyrke warke of Owresby xijd. To Robert Broxham, my sonne, a qwy, [etc.]. I will that my goodes be devydyd when that my will is fulfyllyd, [etc.], and the one parte or halffe I gyff to Willian Broxham, my sone, and the [folio 328d.] other parte or halffe I gyff to Alyson my wyff, [whom] I make my executors. I will that Robert Broxham, my sonne, be supervisor yff he will. Thes men to wytnes, John Lammyng, prest; John Coper; William Wellys; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Market Rasen, 17 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

[THE TESTAMENT OF HUGH ALLELEY OF SCAWTHORPE].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 9. Collated with another copy at f. 47, which is referred to in the footnotes as A.]

26 October, 1530. I Hew¹ Alleley off Scalthorpe in the parriche off Scotter maykes thys my last wyll and testament. My body to be buried in the churche 3ered of sanct Petur off Scotter aforsayd. I bequeth in the name off my mortuary as the² requireth. To the hyght alter ther for tythes forgotten vjd. To the churche warkes off sanct Petur aforesayd ijs. To the warkes of ower moder churche of ower blyssed Lady of Lincoln vjd. To the blyssed hed off Sanct Hew¹ off Lincoln iiijd.

¹ 'Hue' in A.

² A. adds 'law'

To Wylliam my son. To my syster Isabell. To Robert Alleley, my broder. To Putur¹ Yorke, my fader in lawe. To Jenat Yorke,² my syster in lawe. The resyde to Isabell my wyff, Wylliam Alleley, Thomas Alleley, and Marget Alleley, my chyldren, qwhome I make my executores for to dyspose for the helth of my soule my frendes soules and all crysten soules. Thes wyttnes, Henry Brugke,³ chaplyn and curatt; Wylliam Alleley; and Wylliam Atkynson; with other moo.

[No probate act.]

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN DONHAM, PREST [OF DRIBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 380d.]

28 October, 1530. I John Donham, chauntry preste in Dryby, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the chapell of our Lady in the parysh churche of Dryby. And in place of my mortuary as the rate porcion of my goodes commyth to. I will the curat of the churche off Dryby have vjd. to say messe and dyrige for my soule and all crysten soulys. And also to fyve honest prestes to say v messys of the v woundes of our Lord God xxd. To the high altare ther xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To my brother, Thomas Donham, xl^t shyllinges, [etc.]. To Elizabeth Donham, the doughter of the sayd Thomas Donham, thre pare of schetes w^t one sperver of dornyx, iiiij sylver sponys, and a pare off beades of ivery, a basyn, a hyngyng laver, and xxvjs. viijd., [etc.]. To Margaret Donham, syster to the sayd Elizabeth Donham, ij sylver sponys and xxs., [etc.]. I will yff that other of thes too sisterys dy afore they [folio 381] cum to yeres of discretion, that is for to say afore they be maryed, that she that overlyvyth have all, and yff they bothe dy the father of them, Thomas Donham, to have the hole, and yff he dy afore them I will my executors sell it and dispose it for our soulys and all crysten soulys. I will my gowneys and my bokes be solde and the money disposyd for my soule and all crysten soulys. To Norryn college xiijs. iiijd. Also the resydue of my goodes I bequeth to sir John Taylor, the parson of Enderby, and to sir Henry Gray, the parson of Somersby, whch I make my executors, and I bequeth to ether of them for ther labors xs. Wytnes herof, sir John Smyth, chauntry prest of Dryby aforesayd; Thomas Pyper of the same; with other.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 21 November, 1532, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD FOWLE [OF SILK WILLOUGHBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 311d.]

The feast of All Saints, 1530. I Richerd Fowle of Willoby makyth my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde. To the high alter of the same iiijd. To the gyltyng of the sepulcre at Silk Wyllughby ijs. iiijd., and to thenduyng of a light to the sayd sepulcre ijs. iiijd. To the sayd churche iij kye and money to the valewe of xls. to thenduyng and fyndyng of a yerly obbyt for my soule, the soule of Alice my wyff, and for all crysten soulys. To the churche warke of our Lady at Lincoln viijd. To the chyldren of John Gull. I will that iij

¹ 'Petur' in A.

² A. omits 'Yorke'

³ 'Brugkse' in A.

messys be celebrat at *Scala celi* at Boston for my soule and the saulys of my fader and mother. To Symkyn Cresy the bed that I ly in, my warke days rayment, and a potte with butter. To Jenet Stokys. To Isabell Wylytyn. To Agnes Rawe the yonger. To Garardes doughtter of Demylby an arke, [etc.]. To Dykes wyff. To Robert Margery doughtter. To Thomas Peyrson iijs. iiijd., and to Robert Margery vjs. viijd. of that money that he dothe owe to me, whome I make my executors. The resydewe of my goodes I will that the sayd Thomas and Robert dispose for the well of my soule. Thes wytnes, Thomas Peyrson; Robert Margery; John Gull; William Colyar; with other.

Proved before P., at Sleaford, 4 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT CARTER [OF BURGH LE MARSH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 378.]

5 November, 1530. I Robert Carter of Burgh makes my testament. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of st Peter of Burgh. To the reparacions of the sayd churche xls. To our Lady gylde iijs. iiijd. To the Trinite gylde iijs. iiijd. To the high altare for forgottyn tithes xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady warke iiijd. To Thomas my sonne vjl. xiijs. iiijd. To William my sonne vjl. xiijs. iiijd. [folio 378d.] To Margaret my doughter xl. And yff any of thes departe before they be of laufull age then I will that they be buried honestly with parte of the money, and the resydue to be equally devydyd emonges them that lyffes. And yff it happyn so that all departe before they be of laufull age then I will that vjl. xiijs. iiijd. be equally devydyd emonges the chylder of Xp'ofe Carter, and other vjl. xiijs. iiijd. be equally devydyd emonges the chylder of William Palmer. To my mother xxs. To my syster Palmer a pare of beades wych was my fathers. To my syster, Dame Agnes, xiijs. iiijd. To my syster Argram too elnys of my best worstyde. To Anthony Palmer. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff to Julyan my wyff. Also I will set owt my x acres lande to the terme that xxl. be receyvyd therapon to the payng of my dettes and to the burying of my body, [etc.], and aftyr the xxl. be takyn clerely and receyvyd then I gyff to William my sonne iiiij acres lande callyd Norams land to hym and hys heyr for ever. I make Julyan my wyff, sir William Boston, Xp'ofe Carter my executors, and other of them to have for ther labor to helpe my wyff xiijs. iiijd., and William Palmer to be the supervisor and he to have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, sir John Peychyll; William Peycok; William Mawrus; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 21 November, 1532. Administration granted to Julian the relict and Christopher Carter, sir William Boston renouncing.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. SHERPE [OF GONERBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 307d.]

5 November, 1530, 21 Henry VIII. I William Sherp of Gonwardby makes my testament and last will. [folio 308]. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Sebastian of Gonwardby. To the vicars of Grantham in discharging of my conscience for my mortuary as the lawe

will. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the high alter of Gonwarby xijd. To the church warke of Gonwardby xxd. To the churche warke of Grantham xijd. To the frerys of Grantham to syng a trentall in Gonwarby churche for my soule xs. To Margery Maryot, my servant. To Crystian Mere, my doughter, iiii sylver sponys. To Richerd my sonne. To Richerd Maryot. To the chylder of Robert Sherp, my sonne, lately deceasyd, and to the chyldren of William Meres and Peter Blak. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff to Richerd Sherp, my sone, whome I make executor. And I beseche my wellbeluffyd kynsman and frende Robert Sherp of Baroughby, to be supervysor, and I gyff him for hys labor all chargys borne clerely vjs. viijd. Thes beryng wytnes, sir Mathewe Gybson; William Meres; William Spragen; and other many moy.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 28 February, 1530-1, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. KYME [OF WEST ASHBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 317.]

6 November 1530. I William Kyme of Ashby iuxta Horncastle makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of All Halloys of Ashby, and my mortuary as the law requyrys. To our Lady of Lincoln warke ijd. To the hygh alter of Ashby pro decimis oblitis xxd. To Nether Toynton church xijd. To Thomas Kendall my best cote to be good frende to my wyff. To Elizabeth my doughter. To Johanne my doughter. To Margaret my doughter. I will that yff on of my doughters decease afore she cum to lawfull age, [etc.]. To Margaret my wyff the house and the lande that I toke by indenture of John Gose for the terme of my yeres, wch I make my executrix. These being witnesses, sir Henry Parker of Ashby; Henry Smyth of the same; and John Hyll; with others of Ashby.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 10 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF SIR RICHARD ROBERTSON [OF LEAKE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 229d.]

6 November, 1530. I Richerd Roberdson, chauntry prest of Leek, [folio 230] makes my testament, [etc.]. My body to be buryed in the kyrke of Leek, in the name of my mortuary as custome reuiryth. To the adournyng of the high alter in Leek kyrke iiijd. To st Laurence alter iiijd. To the vicar for forgottyn tithys xijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To st Catheryne ijd. To the makynge of the new steple at Leeke xijd. To the reparacion of Leuerton kyrke iijs. iiijd. I will have on trentall sayd in Leek kyrke for my soule and all crystyn soulys. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to Margaret Dalby, my servant, whome I make my executrix, with sir Thomas Payndon, m^r of the chauntry, supervisor. Thies wytnes, sir John Grene, vicar; sir John Westemellys; William Whetley; William Groscroft; and Thomas Kewyng; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 17 November, 1530.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WYLLIAMSON [OF OSGODBY BY KIRKBY].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 229d.]

6 November, 1530. I John Wylliamson of Hosgodby in the parysh of Kyrkby makes my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of st Andrew of Kyrkby aforesayd. To the high alter of st Andrew iij strykes barly. To our Lady warke of our mother churche in Lincoln iiijd. To the high alter in the same iiijd. To our Lady frerys in Lincoln viijd. To the Gray frerys of Grymesby vjd. and to the Augustyn frerys vjd. To Xp'ofe Wylliamson. To the Trinite gylde on yew hogge. To Gyls Wylliamson on qwyne calffe. To Rawffe Williamson. To Edon Nettylham. To every on of my god barnys. Also on trentall of messys to be done for my soule and all my good frendys soulys. To Thomas and Richerd Williamson, my sonnys, all my corne. To Agnes Williamson, my daughter, halffe my inward housholde stuff, and Thomas my sonne and Richerd to have the other halffe. I will that all my other goodes be devydyd in thre partes, on parte to Thomas Williamson, a nother parte to Richerd Williamson, and the thyrde parte to Agnes Wylliamson. I will that the forsayd Thomas and Richerd Williamson be my full executors. Thes beyng wytnes, John Martyn; William Martyn; and Richerd Harde.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 17 November, 1530.

[THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM RAWYN OF LAUGHTON].

[Stow, 1530-52, f. 8. Collated with another copy at folio 46, referred to in the footnotes as A.]

7 November, 1530. I Wylliam Rawyn, syke in body, makes my wyl. My body to be buried in the churche yerde of All Sanctes in Layhton.¹ To the hye awter iiijd. To the churche of Layhton¹ iiijd. All the resydew of my guddes I gyff to my chyldren and I make Wylliam Corsay and Thomas my full executores. Thes men beryng wittnes, sir Robert Talyour,² curatt; Wylliam Halluell; with other moo.

[No probate act.]

THE TESTAMENT OF HENRY BAXTER OF CATHORPE.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 234.]

8 November, 1530. I Henry Baxter off Cathorpe, seke of body, make my testament. My body to be buried w^t in the parysh church of st Vincent of Cathorpe. [folio 234d.] To the mother churche of Lincoln vjd. To the warkes thereof vjd. To the high alter w^t in the sayd churche of Cathorp for tithes forgottyn iiijd. To the parysh churche of Barlay vjs. viijd. To Richard Alee my gray mare. To Robert Auger my donne colte. To William Gregby a fyll to the vse of my godsun hys sun. To sir Rayff Parker a yong stag as I have informyd Agnes Bardall to delyver hym. To Diones Terre the mare that strayd to Grantham. To Thomasyne Bardall the house that George Ellome, tayller, dwellyth in dewryng the yeres that I have taken by copy of courte rolle after the custome of thys maner; also yf so be that she will be well governyd aftyr hyr mother fyve markes yf so be that my stoke wyll rase it aftyr

¹ 'Laughton' in A.

² 'Taylor' in A.

my dettes be all payd and my will all fulfyllyd. Also I will that ther shall a preste syng a trentall for my soule and all my good frendes soulys and all crysten soulys, and the sayd preste to have xs. Also I will that my executors cause to be songe fyve messes at *Scala celi* other at Boston or Lincoln as they thynke best. The resydewe of all my goodes not bequethyd and all my copyes aftyr the custome of thys maner I gyff to Agnes Bardall, the wyffe of Thomas Bardall, the wich Agnes I orden executryx to dyspose them for my soule, and Wylliam Leeke, gentylman, to be coadiutor to her and supervysor of the same. Thes wytnesses, sir Rayff Parker, curet of Cathorpe; Richerd Alee; Robert Awnger, yoman; Thomas Garnet, yoman; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 8 December, 1530. Administration granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN GUNBE [OF WRAGBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 348d.]

8 November, 1530. I John Gunbe in the parysh off Wragby doth make my will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of All Halloys in Wragby, my mortuary as the order of the churche and custome is. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the high alter of All Saintes within the churche of Wragby xijd. To Jenet Gunby, my wyff, ij borde clothys and fourt towellys, [etc.]. To Dorothe Sowt. To Richerd Gunbe, my sonne one bowe, and the best whete lande of Benne Hyll with on bushyll rye and peys and one lande rye. To Thomas Gunbe, my sonne. To John Gunby, my sonne [folio 349]. To Thomas Gunby the younger. To William Gunby. To Margaret Horne. To Hugh Gunby one whet lande of Benne Hyll. To William Smyth. To Robert Gunby. I will one cople oxen the best be solde to pay my dettes. I will on trentall be sayd and songe for my soule and all crysten soulys. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John Gunby and Thomas Gunby, the wich I make my executors. I will that Robert Clerke of the parysh of Wragby be supervisor, and I bequeth to him for hys labor on pare of malte qwernys. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Xp'ofor Webster, the vicar of Wragby; Hugh Helland; Robert Clerke; William Nevylln; William Roghton; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Wragby, 27 March, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROGER SYMMYS [OF CONINGSBY].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 56.]

8 November, 1530. I Roger Symmays within the paryshyng of Conesby makes my testament. My body to be beryed in the churche yerde of st Michel tharchangell of the sayd Conesby. To the warke of our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the high altare of the sayd Conesby viijd. To the churche warke iiijd. To the bellys viijd. To Robert Symmays, my sonne a boote. To Isabell Symmays, my wyff, and to the sayd Robert my sonne. To Albane Symmays, my sonne, a lytyll dowed cowe, and to Alice hys daughter. To every one of my daughters, as Cristian Symmays, Agnes, Margaret, Alice, Johanne, and Rose Symmays. Resydue of my goodes I gyff to the sayd Isabell Symmays, my wyff. I orden the same

Isabell my wyff and the forsayd Robert Symmys, my sonne, to be my executors. I have desyryd to testify thys my testament, William Magson, preste; John Abraham; and John Tonerde; with other.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 1 October, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD TYLSON [OF PINCHBECK].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 239.]

9 November, 1530. I Richerd Tylson of Pynchbek, single man, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of Pynchbek. To the high alter in the church of Pynchbek ijd. To every altare [*folio 239d.*] within the sayd churche jd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the fatherles chyldren in st Catheryns ijd. To the church warkes of Pynchbek iiijd. To Mary Fendyke, my aunte, iij acres of frelande lying both in pastre and in arable the terme of her lyff, and after her decease I wyll that the lande remayn to the next of her kyn. To Roger Tylson vj acres of copy holde lande to hym and to hys heyres or hys assygners. To Hugh Cust the forsayd vj acres of copy holde lande the yeres that he toke it for that was v yeres wheroft ij of them is expyryd. I will that a seame of whete that is in the handes of William Cheryff be solde and the valew of the same seame be disposyd of my burying day for the helthe of my soule in messe and dirige. I wyll that my executors do cause a trentall to be songe for the helth of my soule and all my good frendes soulys within the church of Pynchbek, and yff it may be sparyd I wolde have iij messys song at *Scala celi* for me and my father and my mother. To Thomas Tylson. To Isabell Tylsone iij pecys of peuder. To Richerd Custe iij pecys of pewder. To John Tylson the yonger. The resydue of my goodes I will they be disposyd to pore folkes by the handes of Gylbert Tylson and Robert Fendyke, whome I make my executors. Thes beyng wytnes, William Bewyk, prest; Richerd Alyn; Thomas Stiparde; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 23 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN PEKYLL [OF BENINGTON IN HOLLAND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 313d.]

10 November, 1530. I John Pykyll off Benyngton the elder makes thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of All Halloys in Benyngton, and as the lawe requyrys to my Lorde God. To the sacrament ijd. To Corpus Xpi alter ijd. To our Lady alter ijd. [*folio 314*.] To our Lady of Lincoln to her warkes iiijd. To st Catheryns to the orphans ijd. To the proctor for tithynges forgottyn ijd. To Alyson my wyff on acre of lande lying in Freston Honetofte in fe symple, and halff on acre at Newdyk Gap in fe symple. Item on acre and di' in Fyrst Newlandes lykwyse, and on acre lying in Bennynngton ynges, and halff on acre lying in Butterwyk felde in fe symple. To Alyson my wyff on acre and di' land lying in Gottyk felde in fe symple, after the decease of Elizabeth Bothby. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Alyson my wyff, whome I make my executrix to brynge me

forth, [etc.]. Thes wytnes, sir Roger Pyshe; Cristofer Pekyll; Richerde Bere; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 7 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT COVELL [OF STAINFIELD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 244.]

14 November, 1530. I Robert Covell paryshoner of Staynfeld make thys my last testament in tyme of my perfyte remembraunce. My body to be buryed w^t in the parysh church of Staynfeld, to the wich church I bequeth vjs. viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To the parysh churche of Hold Bollyngton iijs. iiijd. [folio 244d.] To the priorisse and conuent of Staynfeld vjs. viijd. To John Wyson of Appley one of my gownes. I will that halffe a trentall of messys be celebratyng at the day of my buryall. To my wyff fyve markes in money w^t the resydew of my goodes not bequethyd, whome I constitute my sole executrix, and William Tayboys esquier supervisor of thys my sayd last will and testament, and he to have for recompense of hys labor one sygnet of syluer whch costomely I vsyd vpon one of my fyngers. Thes beyng wytnes, Thomas Tenande, preste; Thomas Weste, frere; Richerde Lownde; and other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 29 May, 1531, by the executrix.

[LINCOLN DIOCESAN REGISTRY, INVENTORIES, 1508-50, No. 7.]

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| Item on countre | | viijs. | | | Item ij bonettes | iijs. iiijd. |
| Item xvij peces of pewter & a salt | xiiij.s. | | | | Item iiiij chesties & j couer | |
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| Item a panne and ij ketelles | iijs. | | iiijd. | | Item ij syluer spones | vs. |
| Item v basens & iij yewrs | xxs. | | | | Item a fyer skemer | iijd. |
| Item on lauer | | xijd. | | | Item a brason mor- ter w ^t a pestell | xvijd. |
| Item v candilstyckes | vs. | | | | Item ij pair of copyerons | iijs. |
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| Item xij queshens | xjs. | | | | Item iiiij sherttes | vs. |
| Item iij. fed'beddes | xxx.s. | | | | Item a gown cloeth | xijs. |
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| Item vj pylowes | xvs. | | | | & iij towelles | xijs. |
| Item ij pare of blancktes | iiij.s. | | | | Item ix bolles of woode & dishes | |
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| Item viij coverlettes | xvj.s. | | | | Item a banker and | |
| Item iij couerhynges | xvjs. | | | | a copperd cloeth | |
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Her foloweth the names of them that prised the said goodes aboyff written sir Thomas Tenaunde parishe prest of Stanfield' Robert Trusse Rauff Holtebye and Robert Fauceyt of the said parishe of Stanfield'.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN CRAVEN [OF BOULTHAM].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 233.]

15 November, 1530. I John Craven the elder of Bultham makyth my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the churche or churche yerde of st Helene of Bultham. To the church warke of Bultham ijs. and to the high alter for tithys forgotten xvjd. To Margaret my doughter a cewe, and to thre of her chylder to every on of them a schepe or ijs. in money. To the convent of saynt Catheryns to be prayd for iijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To the iiiij housys of Frerys to every on of them iiijd. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to John Craven, my sonne, the wych I make my executor. Thes beryng wytnes, sir Robert Gawber, curet; Robert Lokyt; and John Walsche.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 2 December, 1530, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF SIR GEORGE GARNER [OF BOSTON].
 [L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 7d.]

15 November, 1530. I George Garner, preste, makyth my testament. My body to be buried with [folio 8] in the paryshe churche yerde of st Botulphe of Boston. To the high altare of st Botulphe to m^r Babyngton iijs., and to the same to m^r Gydon xvjd. To the moder churche of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady warke iiijd. To the faderles and moderles chyldren at st Catheryns iiijd. To the gylde of the vij Slepers within the churche of Boston vjs. viijd. To our Ladys gylde off Boston xs. To the monastery of Barlynges xs. To sir Thomas Crawe one vs. of golde for a gymmo. To William Lownde, my godsun, in money xls., [etc.], when he cumys to the age off xxij yeres. And yff he dye or he cum to the age of xxij yeres, then I will the sayd xls. be disposyd to a preste to syng for me and all my benefactors and all crysten soulys. To Thomas Lownde, hys brother, xs. at the age afore wryttyn, and yff he dye afore the age then I will that it be disposyd after the maner of hys brother William. To my goddoughter at Richerd Olyvers xijd., and to her fader and moder. To John Blancharde my best gowne ffurryd with blaklam. To Agnes hys wyff. To my Lady Ancorys every fryday one yere jd. To sir Thomas Cersy my best typpyt lynynd with cony. To m^r Austyn my typpyd lynynd with ffytches. To sir John Dyxson my tippyd lynynd with sersnet. The resydue of all that I have I gyff to sir Thomas Gybson preste, he to pay my dettes and to dispose them for the welthe of my soule, and he to put of my goodes ls. to the vse of John Lekes will for thynges forgottyn. In wytnes at the copy of thys my awn hande and at the day when I receyvyd my ryghttes, sir Thomas Percy; sir John Dyxson; sir Thomas Ashlay; John Blancher; ffysher Browne; with many oder.

Proved before P., at Boston, 20 February, 1532-3.

THE TESTAMENT OF JANE HAREBY [OF EVEDON].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 244.]

16 November, 1530. I Jane Hareby make my testament and last will. My body to be buried within the churche of our Lady in Evedon. To the high altare of Evedon viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To the chyldren of st Catheryne ij. To John Hareby, my sonne. To

Dorethe my daughter a gret arke, [etc.]. To Isabell my daughter one kyrtyll of cremesyn, [etc.]. To Alice my daughter. I gyff iij yerdes and a halffe of lyn clothe, price the yerde viijd., to the high altare in Evedon churche. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John Hareby, whome I make my executor so that he gyff to the church off Evedon one chalis as he thynkes best. I make sir Thomas Hareby, my sonne, supervisor. Thes wytnesses, sir Bartholomew Ingoldesby, parson of Evedon; John Hareby gentleman; John Stell; and Henry Jay; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Sleaford, 25 May, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. SCRYUENER [OF GREAT LIMBER].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 326d.]

16 November, 1530. I Thomas Scryvener of Lymburgh Magna do make my will and testament. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of st Peter of Lymber Magna with my mortuary as the law requireth. To the high alter in the sayd churche viijd. To the high alter of our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To the church warke of our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To the gylde of st Thomas in Lymbergh iiijd. To st Margaret of Ketesby xijd. To Henry Scryvener. To John Scryvener. To William Scryvener. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to Elizabeth Scryvener, my wyff, and Robert my sone, whome I make executors. Thes wytnes, Nicholes Scryvener; John Torwell; John Thomson; wyth many other moy.

Proved before P., at Castre, 16 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WALLNOT [OF FISHTOFT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 398d.]

16 November, 1530. I John Walnot the elder of the parysh of st Guthlak in Tofte makys my [folio 399] testament concludyng in it my last will. My body to be buryed in the paryshe churche of st Guthlak, and for my mortuary that lawe and the custome of the kyng shall require. To the highe altare in Tofte churche for tithys forgottyn viijd. To every gylde in the sayd churche iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To st Catheryns withoutt the wallys ther iiijd. To the good and profytale warkes of Tofte churche iijs. iiijd. To John Walnot, my sonne, yff he lyff to he cum at the full age of xxj^{ty} yeres. To Robert my sonne a heder calve, a qwyte, etc., yff he lyff to he cum at the full age of xxj^{ty} yeres. To Stevyn, Thomas, and Anthony my sonnes yff they lyff to they cum at the full age off xxj^{ty} yeres. To Margaret my daughter yff sche lyff to she cum at the full age off xvij yeres. To Isabell my daughter yff she lyff to she cum at the full age of xvij yeres, a shudder calve, etc. To Alice my wyff iiij acres lande lying [folio 399d.] in the Sowthe felde of Skyrbek for the terme of her lyffe, and aftyr her decesse I will that the land remayn to Anthony Walnot my sonne and to the heyres of her [sic] body laufully begottyn, remainder to Stephyn Walnot, my sonne, and to the heyres of hys body, remainder to John Walnot, my sonne, and hys heyres for ever. To Alison my wyff all my other landes and tenements, [etc.], in Tofte and Skyrbek unto thende off xxx yeres; and yff she lyff att thende of the sayd xxx^{ty} yeres, I will the same landes, [etc.], fully

remayn [in succession] unto John, Robert, Stephyn, Thomas, and Anthony Walnot, my sonnes, and the heires of their bodies laufully begottyn ; remainder to the nexte heyres of me the sayd John Walnot for ever. The resydue [folio 400] of my goodes I gyff them to Alice my wyff, whome I make my executrix to bryng me furthe, [etc.]. I make m^r Doctor prior of the Awstyn freres in Boston to be supervisor. Thes wytnesses, sir John Tateshall ; Robert Broune ; John Rychmonde ; and William Dawson ; with other mo yff nede require.

Proved before P., at Wyberton, 10 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF CATERINE BURTON [OF HACONBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 281.]

17 November, 1530. I Catheryne Burton of Hacconby makes my will and last testament. My body to be buryed in the church of Hacconby before the ymage of s^tCithe in the southe ally, and the church of Hacconby to have for my sepulcre iijs iiijd. To the highe altare of Hacconby church vjd. for tithynges forgotten. To the sepulcre light a stryke of barly. To a vestiment of blak, it to be in the same church of Hacconby, iijs. iiijd. To s^tCatheryns light in the sayd church iiijd. To the church of Dounesby ixs. viijd., the wiche Thomas Phylip of Byllingburgh owyth me for ij seame of malte, wytnes therof Robert Hurne and Thomas Barker. To the same church of Dunesby iijs., the wiche Robert Armory off Byllingburgh owyth me for ij bullokes. To our Lady of Lincoln a pare of bedes of jette with v rynges of sylver. To the fotherles chylder in s^tCatheryns of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady of Walsyngham a corse gyrdell with a pendyll and a bukkyll of sylver. To John Burton a bakyn flyk, [etc.]. To every one of my godchylldren ijd. I will that vj bullokes and iij kye and a mere be solde be the oversyght of my executor and my iij overseers and the money to be dysposyd to one honest prest to syng for my husband soule and myne in the church of Hacconby one yere nexte insuyng and the other yere at Dunesby church. I will that the churchmasters of Hacconby have ij kye, they to kepe one obbet yerly for my husband soule and myne in the church off Hacconby with placebo and dirige, by the yere iijs. iiijd., and the church to upholde the stoke. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to William my sonne whome I make executor. I will that Thomas Pell Robert Bothe and John Burton of Dunesby be the overseers, and to have for ther labers xs. Wytnes, sir Thomas Clyff, vicare ; William Clerke ; Henry Frauncys.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 1 December, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD MANBY [*alias Sawar of South Ormsby*].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 384.]

18 November, 1530. I Richerd Manby otherwyse callyd Sawar of Sowthormesby makyth my last testament. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of South Ormesby, and for my mortuary as the lawe requiryth. To our Lady warke of our mother churche in Lincoln vjd. To the high altare in the churche of Ormesby for forgottyn tentes vjd. To the same churche one blak flekkyd qwy with calffe to go from poreman to poreman aftyr the order, syght, and delyveraunce of the church wardons of the same. To the parysh preste of the same for the beade rowlle and to say placebo and dirige with commendacion, and one messe ons in the

yere, viijd. To the ryngers iiijd. To the churche in Calceby vjd. To the churche in Brynkyll vjd. I bequeth for one trentall of messys to be sayd in the churche of Ormesby for the helthe of my soule xs. To my sun [folio 384d.] Nicholes too ij yeres olde sterys one brande and one red, and ij fylls a blak and a red, and a nolde wane with whelys and the nepe yoke, and a quarter of barly, my best red cote, my buksyn dooblet, my vilet hose, my secund hat, and my swerde. To Thomas my sonne ij too yere olde sterys, with a lyttaill blak meyr with a fole, halffe a seame of barly, a plugh, one culter and one schare, my fresyd cote, my fustyan dooblet, and a nolde hatte. To William my sun ij oxe calves, and to continu under hys mothers gydyng. To my daughter Jenet one blak cowe whyte heddyd and a cupborde aftyr her mother. To my daughter Catheryne one qwy ij yeres olde. To my daughter Alice one qwy one yere of age and upwarde. To my daughter Agnes one cowe. To my daughter Margaret one cowe. I will that William, Agnes, and Margaret be at ther moders gydyng, whedor she mary or nay, to they have yeres of discrecion. The resydue of my goodes to Agnes my wyff, whome I make my executrix, with Thomas Rust to whome I bequeth for hys labor vjs. viijd. In wytnes hereoff, sir John Cok, parson; Richerde Stapulforthe, preste; William Yrlande; William Helvys.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 10 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS MORELAND [PARSON OF GUNBY ST NICHOLAS].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 309.]

20 November, 1530. I Thomas Moreland, parson of Gunby, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the chauncell of s^t Nicholes aforesayd. To our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To s^t Nicholes of Gunby iiij bordes and iijs. iiijd. to make hym a tabernacle. On cowe to Gunby churche to kepe my anyversary yerely day for the release of my soule and all crysten soulys, with placebo and dirige, the prest or parson ther being to have for hys observaunce doyng iiijd., and on peny to be offeryd at messe, and viijd. to be disposyd in almys dedes, and the resydewe theroff to upholde the stok for evermore. ij schepe to kepe too taburs of wax of halffe poundes a pese before the ymage of our Lady in Gunby aforesayd, that is to say, on at mattyns, ij at messe, and on at evensong. To Lytle Panton churche on pounde of wax. To North Wytham churche viijd. To Sowthwytham churche xijd. To Thystelton churche xijd. To Staynby churche viijd. To Margaret Parmalay, my syster. To Jenet Tayller, my syster. To my syster, Jenet Morelaynd. To Elizabeth Henryson. To Cecile Moreland. To Anne Moreland on waynyng callfe [folio 309d.]. To William Moreland. To Alice Parmalay. To Jenet Tayller. To Alice Hychecok. To John Moreland. To Margery Knyche, and to her chylder. To the iiij orders of Frerys in Stamford. To the frerys of Grantham. To every on of my godchylder. To Jenet Moreland and Alice Hychecok all my houshold stuff. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth to sir John Davy, parson of Northwytham, and Robert Smyth of Gunby, whome I make my executors, and to have for ther labors vjs. viijd. Wytnes heroff, Richerd Grene; Thomas Jerman; John Buntyng; John Knyche; and John Moreland; with other moy and diverse.

Proved before P., at Bylchefelde, 5 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. SMYTH [OF DEEPING ST JAMES].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 310d.]

20 November, 1530, 21 Henry VIII. I Thomas Smyth of Depyng Jamys, tanner, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the cimiterie of the sayd Depyng Jamys, and in the name of my mortuary after the statute of Ingland. To the high alter of the sayd Depyng Jamys ijs. To the church warke vjs. viijd. To Corpus Xp'i gylde xxd. To st Jamys gylde xijd. To Jhesus gylde xijd. To the Plough light viijd. To the ij trelles light ich of them iiijd. I wyll that saynt Catheryne light be found of my coste from s^t Catheryne day foloyng unto that day twelve monthe. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To Richerde my sonne the house that he dwellyth in at mychelmes foloyng, so that he pay to my doughtter Alice or her deputes viij markes or that he have any state in it yff my doughtter Alice lyff, and yff she dye I will that it be payd to my wyff at her disposycion. To my doughtter Alice besyde the viij marke, xxvj. viijd. To my wyff all my goodes, [etc.], excepte my barke yerde and the contentes of it, and my barkyarde I gyff equally betwyx my wyff and John my sonne whome I make executors, they to occupy it to Mayday cum twelve monethe, they to pay my dettes, [etc.]. And yff it please them to continew together, I will the same, and yff the on will departe from the other I will that my barkyerde be equally devydyd betwyxt my wyff [sic], by the good oversyght of my nyghbor John Curteys the yonger and Richerd my sonne, so that John my sonne be not put from [the] house that I dwell in, but that hys dwellyng may be in it with my wyff so long as they can agree, and my wyff marry from it he to have it ; and yff she kepe her sole and can agre I will they do so. And also I will that they kepe Jenet Mathewe as well as she hath bene kepte. To my sone Thomas and my sone Henry ich of them v mark, and ich of them to be other heyres. To Richerde my sonne ij chyldren ich of them xxd. To Elizabeth Gedney iijs. iiijd. To Paykyrke churche xxd., and to Offord churche xxd. To my nyghbor, John Curteyse the yonger, and to my son, Richerd Smyth, ich of them iijs. iiijd., whome I make oversears. Wytnes, m^r vicar; sir Thomas Smyth; William Poole; John Curteys the elder; and John Curteyse the yonger; and John Atey; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Stamford, 2 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF JENYT YNGYLL' [OF WIGTOFT].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 315d.]

22 November, 1530. I Jenet Yngylby of Wygtoft make my testament therein concludyng my last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of the appostellys Peter and Paule in Wygtoft. To our Lady of Lincoln for offerynges forgotten vjd., and to the fatherles chyldren of s^t Catheryns iiijd. To the high alter in Wygtoft churche for tithys forgottyn xijd., and a kyrchyff to be a corporax. To our Lady alter ther vjd., and a whyte vestment price iiiij markes, and to the said alter a towell. To s^t Nicholes alter vjd., and a kyrchyff to make a corporax. To the roode lyght iiijd., and to the hogners light iiijd. To the ploughe light iiijd., and to the chyrche warke iijs. iiijd. To every house of frerys in Boston a bushyll of barley. To fyve chylder of Thomas Hunne every on

a wollyd schepe [*folio 316*]. To Cecill hys daughter iij wollyd schepe, ij fen burlynges and my best hark, [etc.]. To Jenet Dyconson, the daughter of Mawde. To Thomas Hunne the yonger a fen calffe. To John Newman a bayd nag and a bayd yong mare, a blak fen cowe, [etc.], upon thys condicion that he do leave Richerd Robynson them when he shall stande nede, and than may forbere them. To Rose my doughter. To Thomas Hunne and to hys wyffe. To Richerd Robynson and to hys wyff. To Thomas Kent, Alice Cowke, Elizabeth Atkynson, Thomas Westfelde the yonger. To every other godsuns and goddoughters that I have on lyffe iiijd. I bewyt to sir Richerd wagys in too yeres xijs. iiijd. To Richerd my servant. The resydue I will that it be devydyd emong my iij daughters, that is to say, Agnes, Mawde, and Rose, aftyr my iij days be performyd, that is to say my buryall day, viij day, and xxxth day, the frerys content and payd. I will that John Newman have the resydewe of my houshold stiffe, and all my croppys. All other thynges not bewyt nor gyffyn I will that John Atkynson have the custody of them for to pay my dettes, [etc.], and dispose for the helthe of my soule my husbandes and all my good frendes, and to kepe my obbyt yerlely with the valor of vjs. viijd. by the yere so long as the resydew of my goodes will extende, the wich forsayd John Atkynson I make my sole executor, and he to have for hys labor a horsse fole. Thes men beryng wytnes, sir Robert Walker; sir Thomas Leeke; Robert Kyme; and Richerd Howsom; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 7 March, 1530-1, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. HOWSON [OF MININGSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 319.]

23 November, 1530. I William Howson of Mynyngesby makyth my testament. My body to be buried in the church or chyrchyerde of s^t Androy in Mynyngesby. To our Lady warkes in Lincoln xiij. To the parysh church of s^t Androy in Mynyngesby vjs. viijd. To the parysh church of Estkyrkby iijs. iiijd. To the parysh church of Comberworthe xiij. To sir Thomas Toly, parson of Mynyngesby, vjs viijd. To Elizabeth Roote of Toynton. To Thomas Garnet, my servant. To Thomas Howson [*folio 319d.*]. To Isabell my wyff the one halffe off all my stok. To John Howson, my sonne, the other halffe of my stok, and Robert Howson, my father, to have the gydying therof to the proffyt of my chyldren. To Elizabeth Carre, my father servant. To sir Laurence Dykynson of Estkyrkby on amblyne fely. To Jane Holme of Mynyngesby. To Philip my servant. To Libias Richerdson of Toynton. To William Ledale. To Robert Gunthorpe of Toynton. To John my sonne on chawffyng dyshe, [etc.]. To William Ledale. To Jenet Bole. To William Ledale. To Jenet Bray. I will that on trentall be done for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys in the monastery of Revesby, and every monke to have iiijd., and my lorde to have the reste. To my lorde of Revesby on amblyne fely, whome I make supervisor. The resydewe of all my goodes I gyff to Robert Howson, my fader, to Isabell my wyff, and to sir Laurence Dyconson of Estkyrkby, whome I orden executors. These witness, Thomas Toly, rector there; Robert Wodhull; Thomas Bray; with others.

Proved before P., at Partney, 11 March, 1530-1. Administration granted to Isabell the relict; Robert Howson and Lawrence Dykynson being meanwhile prevented by death.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM WRYGHT [OF SCRAFIELD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 316d.]

25 November, 1530. I William Wright of Scrafelde make my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of s^t Michel of Scrafelde, and my mortuary accordyng to the lawe. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To s^t Michel of Scrafelde xijd. To the church warke of Carlton xijd. I will that my brother sir Richerd, the parson of Scrafelde, have xxd. to pray for me. To Robert Jakson, my sone in lawe. The resydue of my goodes nott wytt I gyff to Jenet my wyff and Agnes my daughter, whome I make my executrices. I make William Jakson, my wyff son, to be supervisor. Thes wytnes, sir Robert Rowghe; Rycherd Bowde; Thomas Beste; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 10 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN LYTYLL [OF GREAT GRIMSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 353.]

26 November, 1530. I John Lyttyp of Gret Grymesby makes my will. My body to be buryed in the kyrkegarthe of s^t Jamys. I witt to our Lady church of Lincoln xijd. I witt to the high alter for tithys forgottyn ijs. I witt to Robert Hill. To Thomas Watson wyffe. To Johanne Johnson, my daughter sonne, xiijs. iiijd. To the Augustyn freris to pray for me iijs. iiijd. To s^t Frauncys freris xijd. To Patryk Hanslay and my daughter hys wyff all my landes and tenementes that I have within the towne of Grymesby and without, to have and to holde [folio 353d.] to them and ther heyres and assignes for ever, for the wich I will that my sayd sonne and daughter and ther heyres fynde on obbyt yerly duryng fifty yeres to the valour of ijs. by yere, to be gyffyn to sex prestes with in the church of s^t Jamys in Grymesby for syngyn messe and dirige of s^t Martyn day the byshop, every prest iiijd., and the awner of the same tenementes and landes shall cause the belman to go abowt the towne to warne all weldisposyd people to cum theder and to pray for all crystyn soulys. And yff the sayd Patryk and hys wyff do not fulfull thys my last will than I will that the mare and chambrelanes of thys towne for tyme beyng enter and occupy one house and a crofte that I have by indenture of the coimunalte of thys burgh as in the same indentur more playnly doth apere, and thay to do the same obbyt and to have and inioy the same house and crofte to them and ther successores duryng my yeres. The resydue of all my goodes not wit I gyff and wit to Patryk Hanslay, whom I make my executor. Thes wytnes, the prior of the freris Augustyns, Bryan Curtes; John Balyff; William Bonde; and other.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 27 April, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD HANKCOKE [OF EAST KEAL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 300d.]

28 November, 1530. I Richerd Hankcok of Esterkele makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryd in the churchyerde of

s^t Nicholes of Esterkele, and that for my mortuary as the law requiryth. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the high alter one of my best schepe. To s^t Catheryne gylde ijd. To Jhesus gylde ijd. To Thomas my sonne. I will that my wyff cause v messys to be sayd of the v woundes of our Lorde afore the blesyd sacrament in Esterkele for the helth of my soule. The resydue of my goodes I gyff frely to Margaret my wyff, whch I make my executrix. These wytnes, Thomas Algarthe; Richerde Bawes; Thomas Hamund.

Proved before P., at Bollyngbrok, 9 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS GEE [OF BIRTHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 311.]

30 November, 1530. I Thomas Gee of Byrthorp makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche porche of s^t Androy of Sempyngham. I will my goodes be devydyd in thre partes, and my parte to be takyn forth of the hole, and the other ij partes to Anne my wyff. To Thomas my sonne and Anne my daughter and Elizabeth my daughter xl. To m^r prior of Sempyngham xxs. To the parysh churche of Sempyngham to by them a crosse clothe xs., and vjs. viijd. to by a stone to lay uppon my grave. To Aslakby parysh churche vjs. viijd. to by a crosse clothe. To m^r Humfrey Walcotte xs. To Thomas Loughton, baly of Aslakby, vjs. viijd. To the reparacions of the churche of Byrthrop vs. To sir Robert Gee vjs. viijd. I will at the day of my buryall the viijth day and xxxth day xl. to be delte for me. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To every prest in Sempyngham iiijd. To every novesse ijd. To the priorisse vjd. To every none iijd. To every syster ijd. To Anne Gee. To Helene Sygrave. To the chyldren of s^t Catheryns of Lincoln iiijd. I make An my wyff executrix, and m^r prior of Sempyngham my [folio 311d.] supervisor.

Wytnes, m^r prior off Sempyngham; the prior of s^t Savyers; Adam Sygrave of Stowe; John Coumerworthe of Sempyngham; with many others.

Proved before P., at Burne, 3 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. STEVENSON [OF FRISKNEY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 318.]

3 December, 1530. I William Stevenson of Fryskney makes thys my last testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of All Halloys in Fryskeney. To my curat iijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd., and to the church warke of Fryskney iiijd. To every gylde in the forsayd church iiijd. To every ordre of the freris in Boston iiijd. To John and William my sonnys on ferme lying at the Cotesydes that I have by copy with the mosys and dalys thereto belongyng, callyd Pynder toftes, for the terme of my yeres, payng by the yere to my lady Taylboys xs. To William my sonne my eldest cote for to make him a cote of. To every on of my doughters of my wyffes and myn. To my father my chamlet dooblet, [etc.], and all my see geare. To William my sonne on lytle chyste the whch was hys mothers. To my father my ferme callyd Damme house belongyng to my lady Taylboys for the terme of my yeres, payng by the yere to the forsayd lady Taylboys xxxvjs. To

sir John Jeffrayson. To sir John Walys, vjs. viijd., whome I make the oversear. To Thomas Godfrey iijs. iiijd. for my testament makyng. The resydue of my goodes I will that my father have them to put them to the best proffyt for my chylder that he thynkes best, whome I make my executor. Wytnesses, sir John Walys; Arthure Cowtam; John Cok; and Laurence Wyetson.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 11 March, 1530-1, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HARWYK [OF WELTON LE WOLD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 267d.]

4 December, 1530. I John Harwyk of Welton next Lowthe makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of st Androy of Welton. I wyt to our Lady warke of the cathedrall churche of Lincoln iiijd. To the hygh alter of the churche of st Androy of Welton vjd., and to the warke of the same xijd., and to the alter of st Thomas in the sayd churche xxd. I wyt to Thomas Harwyk, my sone. I wytt to sir William Nutthaike. I wyt to Thomas Harwyk, my brother. I wyt to John Harcher the yonger. I wyt to Hewes Dowsse. The resydewe of all my goodes I gyff to Elizabeth Harwyk, my wyffe, whome I make executor. Thes men beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Beche, the parson; Wylliam Wytton; William Hyrll; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 21 January, 1530-1. Administration of the goods granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD GRANGER [OF SOUTH ORMSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 394.]

5 December, 1530. I Richerd Granger of South Ormesby makyth my last will. My body to be buryed in the churchyerde of st Leonerde in Southormesby, with that that the lawe requiryth in the name of my mortuary. To the high altare of the same churche for forgottyn tithys xvjd. To the same churche xijd. To our Lady in our mother churche of Lincoln xijd. To our Ladys warke of the same iiijd. To the churche of st Margaret in Swaby vjd. To the churche in Calceby iiijd. To the churches in Brynkylly, Bagenderby, Somersby, Tetforthe, and st Margaret in Kettesby iiijd. each. To my doughtter Jenet vjs. viijd., [etc.]. To Alyson my doughtter a browne qwyte, xs., [etc.]. I will yff one of my doughtters departe before the other or they cum to laufull age then I will that ether of them be heyr to the other, and yff they bothe departe or they cum to laufull age, I wyll that Malde my wyff be heyr to them. To George Irlande xs. to helpe my wyff in felde and towne in her nede. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Malde my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose for the helthe of my soule, [etc.]. Thes wytnesses, Richerd Stapulforthe, preste; William Helvys; Richerd Helvys; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 8 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ELYSABET' CAMMOK [OF TATTERSHALL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 316d.]

8 December, 1530. I Elizabeth Cammok of the parysh of Tateshall makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed within the

holy chyrch yerde of the Holy Trinite of the parysh of Tateshall. To the high alter for forgottyn tithys xijd. To the parysh alter iiijd. To the bellys iiijd. To the church of Byllyngay iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln vjd., and unto the Red arke vjd. To the orphans of st Catheryns iiijd. To Henry Lyster. To the parysh prest xijd., with a lyn kyrchyff. To my yongest sonne Rolland iij dublers, [etc.]. To the parysh clerke iiijd. To Elizabeth my daughter in lawe. To Mawde Farom a kyrtle, with ij kyrchyffes vnto her chylderen. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff unto Jamys Burrell, my sonne, the wich Jamys I make executor. Thyes wytnes, sir John Monke ; Mathew Pawstone ; Robert Fysher ; Richerd Burrell ; Richerd Symys ; with many other moy.

Proved before P., at Tateshall, 9 March, 1530-1, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN RAYNER [OF THORGANBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 328.]

10 December, 1530. I John Rayner of Thurganby makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the kyrkeyerde of All Halloys in Thurganby. To the high alter in Thurganby iijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To our Lady warke of the same viijd. To the kyrke off Thurganby vjs. viijd. To the church of Hatclyff xijd. To the kyrk of Swynhope xijd. To Croxby kyrk xijd. To the nonnys of Irforthe xijd. To John Rayner, my sonne. To Alyson my doughter xls. To Margaret my doughter xxss. To Jenet my doughter xxss. The resydue of all my goodes not wyt nor bequethyd I gyff to Jenet my wyff and John my sonne, whom I make my executors, and Alice Wyndyll to be supervisor. Thys recorde, sir Robert Geill, clerk ; Robert Panton ; and John Ranyer ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Markyt Rasyn, 17 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT BEYTT [OF BRANT BROUGHTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 386.]

13 December, 1530. I Robart Bett, hole of mynd and reson, never the lesse takyn with bodily infyrmite and sekenes, makes my last wyll and testament. My body to be buryd in my paressh churche yard of saynt Hellyn of Brantbrogton. To the hy auter xijd. To owr Lady warkes of Lyncoln viijd. I will that ij oxen and ij weders be solde to dispose for my sole helthe. To Rogar my yowngyst sone my best cow, my best why [etc.]. To John my sone. To William my sone. To William Brande, my sone in law, my part of on bond wayne. The resedew of all my goodes I will yt be devided to my said iij sonys and William Brande. Also I make the said William Brande and John my sone to be my executryxes. Thes beryng witnesse, sir Thomas Hyrd, paressh prest ; Thomas Harber ; John Cralle ; with other.

Proved before P., at Ancaster, 27 February, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF J. MEDLAY [OF EAST RAVENDALE].

[L.C.C., 1538-40, f. 78.]

14 December, 1530. I John Medlay of Estrandall makes this my testament. My body to be berryd in the churche yerde of sant Martyn

of Estrandall. To our Lady of Lyncoln vjd. To our Lady warkes of Lyncoln vjd. To the hye altare of Est Randall for tythes and oblacyons forgottyn iijs. iiijd. To Wylliam Medlay, my son, ij yowys and ij lammys and a horse or elles a mere. To Issabell my dowghter one cowbert and vj yerdys of lyne cloth, [etc.]. To Edmund my sone iiij markes. To Thomas my sone one cowe and a horse. To John Medlay a calve. To Edward Medlay a qwyte calve and a schepe hoke. To Robert Tymson ij yoyes and a lame. To John Huson a schepp. To [John¹] Betterys Thymson ij lyne schettes, [etc.]. To John Thyne a qwyte. To Anys Medlay viij yerdes of hardyn cloth. To Issabell Medlay a yowe. To John Thyne and Issabell Thyne a hoge schepp. To Xp'ofe Pynyng a lame. The resydew of my godes I gyffe to Androwe Medlay, my sone, whome I make my executor to dysposse for the helth of my soule. I wyll William Medlay, my sonne, to be my supervysor. Thes wytnes, sir Robert Westoby, curat; Robert Ravyn; Richard Butler; with other moo.

Proved before Pope, at Irby, 18 July, 1538.

[THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS THORNTON OF BELTOFT].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 6d.]

14 December, 1530. I Thomas Thorton [sic] of Beltoft in the paryche of Belton in the Ile of Axholme seke of body makes my testament and last wyll. My body to be beryed in the churche 3erd of Alaloys of Belton. To the hyght auter in Belton for tythes forgotten xxd. I wytt to ower Ladys warke in Lincoln iiijd. To the pariche churche of Belton vs. To the rode lyght in Belton iiijd. To plught lyght of the same iiijd. To evere lyght in the churche of Belton that here after inschewyth ijd., that ys to say ower Lady of Pitty lyght, ower Lady of Grace lyght, sanct Savyor lyght, sanct John lyght, sanct Margett lyght, sanct Antony lyght, and sanct Sonday lyght. I wyl that one trentall off masses be sayd for my sowlle in contenent after my dethe. To every one of my sone Robert chyld vjs. viijd. To every on of my sone John chyld vjs. viijd. To every on of the chylder of Robert Mody vjs. viijd. To John Talyour, the sone of Thomas Talyour, vjs. viijd. To Isabell Thekar iiijl. vjs. viijd. I gyff xijd. toward makynge of a churche clothe, wyche cloth is to be occupied at weddynge and churche sekyngs. To Wylliam Thorneton, son of John Thorneton, my sone, iiij selions of lande arabull the wyche I have mayd John Newland of Beltoft my attorney to delyver to the sayd William Thorneton laufull astayt for me and in my name as I were ther personally present what soo ever, and when my sayd attornay doth in the premises I doo admytt after tenor forme and affect of thys my wyll and dede. The resydew of my guddes I gyff to John my son and Elezabeth my wyff, whome I make my executores. In wittnes that this is my last wyll and dede, John Newland of Beltoft; Steven Walcottes; and Jamys Populwell; and other mo.

Proved at Belton, 27 March, 1530².

¹ Struck out.

² This should probably be 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN SHERMAN [OF BOOTHBY GRAFFOE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 348.]

15 December, 1530. I John Sherman makes my last will. My body to be buryd within the church yerde of Bothby. To the high alter vjd. and to the bellys vjd., and to our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To my sonne Henry vjs. viijd. in sylver, [etc.]. To my daughter Adelyne vjs. viijd. in money, [etc.]. To my daughter Elizabeth vjs. viijd. in money, [etc.]. To my daughter Jane vjs. viijd. in money, [etc.]. To the iiiij orders of frerys of Lincoln iiiij strykes of barly, and to iiij godchylder iiiij strykes of barly. I gyff xxd. to a preste to say v messys of the v woundes. And the resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alyson my wyff, whome I make my executrix that she may dispose or cause to be disposyd for my soule, my frendes soulys, and all crysten soulys. Thes wytnes, sir Robert Hamond, prest; John Borradale; and Thomas Thorpe; with other moy; and my brother, John Warde, supervisor.

Proved before P., at Braunceton, 21 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN COKE [OF HOUGHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 307.]

16 December, 1530. I John Coke of Hougham make my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the churchyerde of All Haloyys of Hougham. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. To the high alter of Hougham for forgottyn tithys di' quarter of barly. To the Trinite gylde of Marston xijd. To Isabell and Margaryt my doughters. To William and Richerd my sones. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Jenet my wyff and to William my sone, whome I orden executors. Also I will that John Master be my supervy sor, and he to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Thes wytnes, sir John Wymerke, parysh prest; Richard Lee; John Master; Thomas Lee; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Ancaster, 27 February, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT HOWSON [OF EAST KIRKBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 319d.]

16 December, 1530. I Robert Houson of the parysh of Estkyrkby makes my testament. My body to be buryd in the church or churchyerde of st Nicholes in Estkyrkby. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the high alter in Estkyrkby for tithys forgottyn xijd. To a light to be kepte afore the sacrament in Estkyrkby xijd., and the forsayd xijd. for to be takyn yerly of my housys in Estkyrkby so long as the forsayd housses standyth. To Thomas Houson, my cosyn, on new orege cote clothe and on kendall cote. To the parysh churches of Estkyrkby, Mynngesby, Hawnby, st Laurence of Revesby, on cremysyn dooblet, and the sayd dooblet to be devydyd into iiiij equal partes, and they iiiij partes to be mayd into iiiij corporak casys, and everyon of the iiiij paryshes to have one. To the sayd Thomas Howson, my cosen, vjs. viijd. owt of my own landes in Anderby and Hawnby, and he and hys heyres to pay yerly to vj prestes ijs. for ever in Comberworth. To the fyndyng of a light afore the sacrament in the said church xijd., and the forsayd Thomas and hys heyres to pay the forsayd xijd. yerly for ever of the forsayd lande. To the forsayd Thomas Houson on sylver pees with

iiiij sylver sponys. To Elizabeth Carre, my servant, my housses in Estkyrkby duryng her lyff after the decess of my wyff. To Thomas Garnyt, my servant, on house in Gret Carleton with one pyngle namyd Mawkyne garthe of the condicion that he will be good and diligent to my wyff, hys awnte, or ellys not to have it. To every on of my servantes. To Libeas Richerdson. To Elizabeth Carre, my servant. To the parysh church of Mynyngesby xxd. To the parysh church of Hareby xijd. To the parysh church of Hagneby xijd. To William Ledale. To William Fysher my best orege cote. To Thomas Toly, parson of Mynyngesby, iijs. iiijd. I will that yff Isabell my sonnys wyff lyff that then she shall have all the hole stok of William my sonne, [etc.], and Thomas Houson to have kepyng and gydying theroff to the use and proffyt of my sonnys chylde. And yff it fortune my sonnys wyff to decesse and dye that then my sonnys chylde to have the on halffe of my sonnys stok and Thomas Houson to have gydying of my sonnys chylde. To Thomas Houson, my cosyn, hys heyres and assygnes, xviijs. yerly of my land in Gaton aftyr the decese of my wyff. To Rawffe a Grene of Parteney iijs. iiijd. I will that Agnes my wyff shall have the possession of all my houses and landes the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease for to be disposyd accordyng to my will. I will that on trentall be done for the helthe of my soule in the monastery of Revesby. To the parysh church of Cumberworthe vjs. viijd. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff to Agnes Houssen, my wyffe, and to Thomas Houson, my cosyn, whome I orden executors, and m^r Gyles Heron to be supervisor. These witnesses, Thomas Toly, rector of Mynyngesby; Libeas Richardson of Toynton; Ambrose [blank] of Stykney; with many others.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 11 March, 1530-1. Administration granted to Agnes the relict, she having been sworn in form of law, Thomas Houson, the other executor, refusing.

[THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HAUKNYS OF EPPWORTH].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 6. Collated with another copy at f. 44.]

19 December, 1530. I John Haukyns of Eppworth make my testament. My body to be byryed in the churcyeerde of sanct Andrew in Eppworth. To Elezabeth my doughtter. To Thomas Haukyn.¹ To Alyce my doughtter. To Roger Ratclyff² a yonge stagge, a flect qwyne, vjs. viijd., [etc.]. To John Croston.³ To Myles Percey. To our blysyd Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the hyght altar xijd. The resydue of my goodes I be sett to Robert my son and Myles Percey, whome I make my executores, by the supervisione of syr Thomas Thew, curat ther, whom I make my supervisor. Thes men beryng wittnes, sir Thomas Thew; Thomas Dyke; Thomas Rydar; with other moo. Also I wyll that my executores sell my ij oxone and dispose for my sowle and my wyffes, parte in Eppworth churche⁴ and parte in Dancaster at the gray fearears there as the money [sic].

Proved 27 March, 1530⁵.

¹ 'Hawkyne' at f. 44.

² 'Ratlyff' at f. 44.

³ 'Crooston' at f. 44.

⁴ 'churche' is omitted at f. 44.

⁵ This should probably be 1531.

[THE TESTAMENT OF ISABEL SMYTH OF COTES IN THE PARISH OF SCOTTER].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 8.]

19 December, 1530. I Isabell Smyth of Cottes in the parriche of Scotter makes thys my testament and last wyl. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of sanct Petur of Scotter. To the hyght awter of sanct Petur for thythes forgotten iiijd. To the warke of ower mother holy churche of ower blyssed Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To Robert Wanman and Elezabet Wanman, the chylder of John Wanman. To Ales and Agnes my daughters. The resydew to James Smyth, my son, qwome I ordain my executure for to diispose for the helth of my sawll and all my frenddes saulles that it may be to the pleasure of God and to all the sanctes in heuen. I make sir John Hamond, Wylliam Rogerson, Tostyne Rogerson, my broder, and Wylliam Holand lawfull supervisures, and to be governores of the sayd James Smyth, my sone. Thes wytness, sir Henry Bright, curatt; Wylliam Cogan; and Wylliam Holand, with other moo.

[No probate act.]

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN FROWE [OF CADNEY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 325d.]

23 December, 1530. I John Frowe of Cadney makes my testament and last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of All Halloys of Cadney. To the hygh alter of Cadney for tithys forgottyn iiijd. To the churche of Cadney xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. To st Savior warke of Houson on bushyll of barly. I wyll that all my goodes aftyr my decease be devydyd in thre partes, my wyff to have on parte and my chylder to have a nother parte emong them all; and the thyrde parte of my goodes I will that my wyff have, the on halffe to bryng up her chylder with, and the other halffe to bere the chargys of my buryall; and the resydue that lefes to be devydyd [folio 326] emonges my chylder. To John Fraw the elder, my sone. To Robert Ottyngham xxd., whome I make supervisor. The resydue of my goodes I give to Jenet my wyff and John Fraw the elder, my sonne, whome I make my executors. Thes men beyng wytnes, sir Phylip Burton; Robert Cottyngham; John Maydynwell; Laurence Bell; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Castor, 16 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD LIELL [OF ASHBY IN BOTTESFORD].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 2d. Collated with another copy at f. 44.]

25 December, 1530. Witnes that Richard Liell¹ of Askby makyth my will. My body to be buryed in the church of Peter and Paule of Botnesford. To the said church vjs. viijd. To the hye awter of the same viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln viijd. To the chapell of saynt Gyles of Askby xijd. To Robert Fuller a lame. I will have a trentall of messys donne for my saull and all criston saulles. I will that myn executors gyffe to Jenyt Liell and [folio 3] Esabell Liell,

¹ 'Bell' at f. 44 by a copyist's error.

daughters of John Liell, when the come to lawfull age iiiij markes of money or elles other guddes to the vallew therof. To Richard Liell, my sonne, xl. To Dorothe Liell my daughter, vjl. xiijs. iiijd. Residew of my guddes my dettes payd I giffe to Esabell my wiffe and to Robert Liell my son, whom I make my trew executors to dispose them to the helth of my saull. Thies beyng witnes, Richard Parkyn; John Fuller; Thomas Liell; with other.

Proved before Henry Litherland, 6 February, 1530-1. Administration granted to Robert Liell, an executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. KEPE [OF DRY DODDINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 307d.]

27 December, 1530. I William Kepe off Dodyngton makyth thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churchyerde of Westborow of All Halloys. To the high alter of Westborow iiijd. To Dodyngton chapell iiijd. To Dodyngton brygges iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To William my sonne. To hys sone. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff unto Margret my wyff and John my sonne, whome I make executors. I make Richerd Jakson supervysor, and he to have for hys labor ijs. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Harmeston; William Hoyse; and William Kepe. I bequeth unto my godchylde every on of them iiijd., and to my doughtter Isabell a qwyte.

Proved before P., at Ancaster, 27 February, 1530-1.

[WILL OF THOMAS BACON OF WEST FERRY].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 7. Collated with another copy at f. 45.]

28 December, 1530. I Thomas Bacon in West Fery of the pariche of Oweston¹, grettly and greuusly seke of my body, makes thys my last wyll. My body to be byryed in the churche 3erde of sanct Marten of Oweston. To the hye awter of the same for tythes forgotten xijd. To Thomas my son one acar of medow, lying of the sowthe syde of new lane, for the space of xxth jeres next folowing after my deth. To Robert my son and to Margett my doughtter my land in Gunthorpe² to be devyded by twyxt them. To my doughtter Marion, and to Alis my doughtter. To my doughtters Johan and Margaret. To Robert my son, one horse callyd Morell. To my son Thomas. I bequethe for a trentall of messes to be sayd for my soulle and all crysten soulls xs. To Thomas my son on half of a botte with hys brother Nicolas called a skawde. I wyll that Margaret my wyff have her thurdes the sextterschyp nott with standyng to helpe to bryng vp the thre smalle chyldren. The resydewe of my guddes I gyff to Marget my wyff and to Nicolas Bacon, my son, whome I make my executores to dispose for the welth of my soulle, [etc.]. Thes wytnes, Thomas Lawton; Thomas Snaw; John Deuyas; and Jamys Stanton; and I bequeth to every on of them iiijd.

Proved at Belton, 27 March, 1530.³

¹ 'Cawston' at f. 45.

² 'Gutthorp' at f. 45.

³ A mistake for 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. BAGOTT [OF NORTH SOMERCOTES].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 322d.]

28 December, 1530. I William Bagot of Northsomercotes makes thys my hole and last will. My body to be buryed in the kyrke off Northsomercotes. I bequeth for my lying in the kyrke of North Somercotes vjs. viijd. To our mother kyrke of Lincoln to our Lady warke xijd. To the high alter of Northsomercotes for oblacions forgottyn ijs. iiijd. To the kyrke warke of Skydbroke iijs. iiijd. I will that a prest celebrat the space of on yere for the helth of my soule and all my benefactors soulys in the parysh kyrke off Northsomercotes. I will that Jenet my wyff haue all my housholde goodes, and she to wonne of the ferme to Mayday nexte, and she to haue to her fyndyng parte of the corne as she mysters. To Jenet my syster ij yowys. To Margaret West, my servant. To Agnes Weste. To euery on of my godchylde beyng in lyff iiijd.

Thys is the last will of me William Bagott of Northsomercotes of all my houssynges and landes tenementes and rentes that I haue within the countie of Lincoln. To John Bagot, my sonne, all my landes tenementes and rentes to hym and to hys heyres of hys body laufully begotten aftyr the terme and ende of iiiij yeris. And yff it so happyn that the sayd John Bagot decease withoutt heyres of hys body, then I will that all the sayd landes and tenementes with all the appurtennnces shall remayn to the next heres of the sayd William Bagot for euer, and to ther heyres of ther bodyes; and then they to make a yerely obbyt in the parysh kyrke of Northsomercotes for the wele of my soule and my wyffes and all crysten soulys, and they to ware of the sayd obbyt vijs. The resydew of all my goodes not wyt I gyff and wyt to John Bagot my sone and to John Gonnede of Northsomercotes the elder, whome I make my faythfull executors that they may dispose for the helthe of my soule as they thynke best, with the help and counsill off Edward Madysone of Hull, merchand of the staple of Calys, whome I make supervisor, and he to haue for hys labor xxs. Thes wytnes, sir William Aylbe, vicar; Robert Dysney; Thomas Parnyll; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Mukton, 13 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF GERG DERSE [OF RANBY].

[L.C.C. 1520-31, f. 383d.]

28 December, 1530. I George Derse of Ranby makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the churchyeerde of st German in Ranby. To the high altare in the churche of st German of Ranby for forgottyn tithys xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the churche of All Halloys in Legborne ijs. To the churche of All Halloys in Scamylsby viijd. To the churche of st Andro in Donyngton viijd. To Elizabeth my doughtter and my heyr certan lande lying within the feldes of Legborne the whiche lande is one yere vjs. and another yere iiijs. To George Gybbon. To George Burne. To Margaret Burne. I gyff and resygne to Alyson my wyff the copyy of my house and lande lying within the towne and feldes of Ranby. The resydue of all my goodes I bequeathe to Alyson my wyff,

whome I make executrix. Also I make Thomas Bray of Ranby supervisor, and he to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Wytnes heroff, sir Thomas Nettylton, vicare; Thomas Bray; William Beysby; Robert Care; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 10 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF STEUEN HERNES [OF LEAKE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 386d.]

28 December, 1530. I Stewen Hermes [*sic*] of Leeke makes my testament. My body to be buryd in the churche of Leeke. In the name of my mortuary that the law requireth. To the anowrmentes and gyldyng of our Lady in Leeke churche iijs. iiijd. To the anowrmentes of the hy awter in the said churche viijd. To every other awter in the said churche ijd. To our Lady of Lincoln for offring xijd. To st Kateryns without Lincoln iiijd. To the parsonys for forgoten tythis iiijd. To the byldyng of the new stepull in Leeke vjs. To the reparacion of Wrangle churche iijs. iiijd. To every on of my god chylderne on shepe. To sir John Scott for on trentale syngynge in Leeke churche for my sole and all crysten sollys xs. To on prest to syng halfe a trentalle in Wrangle churche vs. for my sole and all my frendes solles. To William Larkes the elder on shepe. To Richard Larkes on shepe. To Richard Hymlyn. To Robart Whetley. To Margret Larkes, Agnes Larkes, William Larkes the yowngar, Thomas Larkes, Hugo Larkes, and Rose Larkes on shepe apiece. To Agnes Hernes on cow. To Alice Randull xxd. To Margret Larkes iijs. iiijd. To Margret Larkes and Syble Hernes on cow to be devided betueyx them. To Richard Horthrow. To Thomas Howson ijs. vjd. To Agnes Gray iiijd. To Jenet Ardyn ijs. To Alice Ardyn xijd. The resydew of my goodes I gyffe to William Larkes and Alice Hernes, whom I make executryx, and I gyff to other of them for there labur xxs. Thes witnesse, John Payndon; Richard Arthrow; and Richard Hymlyn; with other.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 7 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS FOWLLER [OF POTTER HANWORTH].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 79.]

3 January, 1530-1. I Thomas Fowler of Potterhanworthe makes my last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of st Andro of Potterhanworth. To the high alter of Potterhanworth for forgottyn tithys xijd. To the bellys of Potterhanworth iijs. iiijd. To the high altare of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To the iiijd orders of frerys in Lincoln every house iiijd. To the prior of Nocton Parke a trentall, or ellys to hys brethern. To sir John Fowler, my sone, a fetherbed, a chyst, and a chamlet dooblet. To William Fowler, my sone, v yowes and lammys, a jaket, and a muke carte. To Agnes my daughter, the wyff of Robert Thomsone of Nocton, a gowne, and to every one of her chyldren a yowe with a lamme. To Johan Thomsone, the doughter of Robert Thomsone of Nocton, a brasse potte. To Thomas Carter, sun of William Carter of Potterhanworthe, a yow with a marked lamme. Also the resydew of my goodes unbequethyd I gyff to my wyff, whome I make executrix for to dispose for the helthe of my soule,

by the sight of my supervisor, William Red, whome I make, as they thynke best. Thes wytnes, sir John Holforthe; Richerd Borell; Thomas Stokes; Hugh Hell; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Wadyngton, 21 October, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HEWTON [OF ELSHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 326.]

4 January, 1530-1. I John Hewton of Ellesham makes my testament. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of All Halloys of Ellesham. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the high alter of Ellesham for tithys forgottyn iiijd. To st Peter gilde and our Lady gylde of Ellesham viijd. To the church warke of Wrawby iiijd. To John Hewton. To John Hewton junior. To Helene Hewton. To Richerd Hewton. To Margaret Hewton xxs. in money, [etc.]. To Helene Hewton xxs. in money, [etc.]. To the vicar of Ellesham vijs. To Elizabeth my wyff on house with the purtenances in Wrawby for the terme of her lyff. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Elizabeth my wyff and Robert my sonne evenly to be devydyd betwyxt them, and I will that they be my executors. Thes men wytnes, sir John Whaplode, vicar; William Holme; John Bothby; and William Kenson; and other mo.

Proved before P., at Castor, 16 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. BRANDON [OF SUTTERTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 235.]

7 January, 1530-1. I William Brandon the elder of Soterton makes my testament. My body to be buryed within the church yerde of our most blessyd Lady of Soterton and my mortuary aftyr the new actes. To the high alter of our Lady of Soterton for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the anowermente of every altare in the sayd churche ijd., and to the church warke ther iijs. iiijd. To the high altare of the holy appostelles Peter and Paule in Algerkyrke for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the church warke of our mother churche in Lincoln iiijd. To the orpans of saynt Catheryns without the wallys ther ijd. I wyll that one cownter that standyth in my hall stande styll in my house, and one gret chyste in my chamber be had to my mansion at Algerkyrke, and ther to continew styll. To Henry Brandon, my sonne, my horse mylne, [etc.]. To John Brandon, my sonne, one stag of ij yeres olde, [etc.]. To Jahn Brandon, my doughter one beste callyd a qwyte. I will that the resydue of all my housholde stuff be devydyd by evyn porcion betwyxte Catheryne my wyff and Jane Brandon, my doughter, sone aftyr my decease, and the porcion of Jane my doughter to be had in save kepyng to the sayd Jane cum unto the age of xv yeres; and yff she decease before that age I will that the sayd parte remane to Henry and John my sonnys. To Henry Brandon, my sonne, aftyr my decease, my mansion wher I wonne in Soterton with the appurtenances one acre and di' arable liyng in a certen felde callyd Qwehte crofte, iij rode arable liyng be Toller heges, halff one acre pastre lying at More gate in the parysh of Wygtofte, v rode pastre liyng at Bellande bryke, one acre and one halffe pastre lying in Algerkyrk that I purchesyd of Thomas Gebon, under thys condicione foloyng that the sayd Henry Brandon, my sone, or who shall have the

aforesayd mansion, [etc.], shall yerly pay to Katheryne my wyff his mother the terme of her lyff at the day of st Michell tharchaungell xs. sterlyng ; and for fawte of payment I will it shall be laufull to the sayd Catheryne aftyr viij days next foloyng [folio 235d.] the aforesayd date to streyn and the stresses to dryve and kepe away unto the tyme the sayd xs. be payd. To John Brandon, my sonne, aftyr my decese, one mansion with the appurtenances as it lyes in Algerkyrke conteyned [*sic*] viij acres, under thys condicion that the sayd John, or who shall have the premises, yerly pay to Catheryne my wyff, hys mother, the terme of her lyff at the day of the holly appostelles Phylip and Jamys, the which is the fyrste day of May, xs. sterlyng, [etc.]. Also I will that Henry Brandon and John Brandon, my sonnys, and ther goodes and landes be at the gydyng and honeste fyndyng of Catheryne my wyff, ther mother, unto the tyme that the sayd Catheryne be maryd. And yff she be not marryed unto the tyme that the aforesayd Henry or John our chyldren be the age of xvij yeres, and yff she be maryed then I will that she have and be contente with her annuite of xxs., as it is afore rehersyd, the tyme upon her lyff naturall, and then Henry my sone to have the proffyt of hys landes afore rehersyd and John my sone have the proffyt of hys landes afore rehersyd. I will that viij rode arable lande in Crabdane and in Algerkyrk remayn to Catheryne my wyff the terme of her lyff. Yff she decease or Jane Brandon our daughter cum unto the age of xvij yeres, then I will that the viij rode remane to the sayd Jane Brandon our daughter unto the sayd Jane be xvij yeres of age, at which age I will the viij rode remane to Henry Brandon, my sonne, and to hys heyres or assygnes. To Jane Brandon, my daughter, aftyr my decease, to her bryngyng up iij acres pastre lying in Algerkyrke in Crabdamme [*sic*] end, callyd Sedyke tofte, to the aforesayd Jane cum to the age of xvij yeres, then I will that it remane to John Brandon, my sone, under thys condicion that he pay to the forsayd Jane hys syster iijl. vjs. viijd. sterlyng. And yff he [folio 236] decease then I will that Henry Brandon, my sone, pay to Jane, hys syster, iijl. vjs. viijd. when she is at the age of xvij yeres. I will that yff Herry decease before the age off xvij yeres or unmaryed then I will that hys mansion and landes remane to John Brandon, my sone, hys heyres, or assygnes, and if he decease afore he cum to xvij yeres or unmaryed, they shall remane to Henry Brandon, my sone, to hys heyres or assygnes, and if he decease afore he cum to xvij yeres or unmaryed they shall remane to Jane Brandon my daughter to her heyres and assygnes. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff to Catheryne Brandon, my wyff, whome I make my executrix to bryng my body to holly moldes, and dispose for the helthe of my soule, etc. Thes beyng wytnes, sir John Wryght, parysh preste ; William Bokke ; and Wylliam Hobson ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 22 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN ROBYNSON [OF FULSTOW].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 324.]

8 January, 1530-1. I John Robynson of Fulstowe settes my will, [etc.]. My body to be buryd in the church yerde in Fulstowe. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To st Laurence churche in Fulstow xxd. To the

high alter in Fulstowe iiijd. To the church of Marchechapell vjd. The resydwef of my goodes to be devydyd in thre partes, on to my wyff, the secunde to the chylder, the iij parte for my selffe, my rentes and dettes to be payd of the hole, and Mawde my wyff to be my executor and Xp'ofe Dawson and William Madyson to be my supervisors, and they to have xx.d. for ther labor. Thes wytnes, sir Richerd Raynolde, vicar; William Swynne; Jamys Rede; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Louth, 14 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ALICE HOWDEN [OF DARBY.]

[STOW, 1530-52, ff. 5, 43d.]

10 January, 1530-1. I Alece Howden of Derby besides Burton, widow. My body to be buryed within the holy grownd in the parishe where yt shall please God I shall depart out of this transitori life. I will that Robert Howden and Thomas Howden, my sonnys, shall honestly cause me to be brought to the grownd with suche guddes as God hath indued me withall. And the residue of all my guddes I gyffe to the same Robert and Thomas my sonns, wyche I make my executores. Thies bering witnes, sir William Longshaw, vicar of Burton; George Wodmanpole, prest; Thomas Longstafe; Robert Timbere; and other.

Proved at Apulbe, 28 March, 1531.

TESTAMENTUM W. WRYGHT [DE WOLDNEWTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 403.]

In Dei nomine Amen anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo tricesimo videlicet decimo tercio die mensis Januarii ego Willelmus Wright de Woldnewton compos mentis $\frac{7}{7}$ sane memorie condo testamentum meum in hunc modum. In primis do $\frac{7}{7}$ lego animam meam omnipotenti Deo beate Marie $\frac{7}{7}$ omnibus sanctis [corpus] meum sepeliendum in cemiterio omnium Sanctorum de Woldnewton predicta. Item lego summo altari ibidem pro priuat^s $\frac{7}{7}$ oblitis decimis xs. Item lego ecclesie parochiali ibidem xx.d. Item lego fraternitati resurrectionis Domini ibidem xijd. Item lego summo altari beate Marie Lincolniensis vjd. Item lego fabrice beate Marie ibidem vjd. Item lego singulis ecclesiis de Bynbroke Swynhope Thorganby Westrandall Est Randall Alesby Asby Hawarby et Besby iiijd. Item lego priorisse de Ormysbie [. . .¹] monialium ibidem [. . .¹]. Item lego vtensilia domus mee Waltero filio meo $\frac{7}{7}$ [Margare]te vxori mee exceptis vno vase plumbeo $\frac{7}{7}$ certis aliis rebus predicto Waltero res[. . .¹] vt sequitur. Item lego Waltero predicto filio vnum morsellum auri $\frac{7}{7}$ sex coclearia [. . .¹] Item lego Margarete vxori mee unum singulum argenteum $\frac{7}{7}$ vnum par preclararum pro termino vite sue $\frac{7}{7}$ post eius decessum ad Annam filiam meam. Item do $\frac{7}{7}$ lego Waltero filio meo $\frac{7}{7}$ heredibus de corpore suo legitime procreatis vnum croftum vocatum Chubsegarthe ac omnia alia terras $\frac{7}{7}$ tenementa mea que michi pertinent iure hereditario vel titulo quoconque infra villam $\frac{7}{7}$ territorium de Woldnewton predicta. Et si contingat predictum Walterum sine herede masculo de corpore suo legitime procreato obire tunc volo vt predictum toftum remaneat meis heredibus masculis cum

¹ Obscured by a blot.

omnibus aliis terris et tenementis meis in Woldnewton. Item lego Briano filio meo vij libras legalis monete Anglie. Item lego Waltero filio meo quadragenta oves par bouum de optimis *iiij or* equos omnes messes crescentes super terram exceptis et reseruatis Margarete vxori certis quarteriis vt sequetur. Item predicto Waltero omnia plausta bigas et aratra cum omnibus suis pertinentiis. Item lego Margarete vxori mee duas vaccas duos porcos. Item volo si contingat me prefatum Willelmum Wryght mori antequam filii mei viz. Brianus & Walterus pervenerint ad etatem viginti *iiij or* annorum tunc volo quod partes illorum remaneant in custodia Roberti Smythe de Waltam & Jacobi Otby vsque ad etatem antedictum. Item lego vnum lectum elymosine duo para linthiaminum vnum tegumentum vnum filtro vt remaneant in custodia vxoris mee ad opus et vsum pauperum et peregrinorum. Item lego Ricardo Steffnsun vnam vaccam ad terminum vite sue vt custodiat annuatim vnum obitum pro salute anime et det mollationem pro obsequiis & missa *vd.* et pulsantibus pro pane et potu *ijd.* et post decessum predicti Ricardi tunc volo quod vacca predicta remaneat predicto Waltero filio meo heredibus et executoribus suis. [folio 403d.] Item lego Anne filie vnam iuuencam. Item lego Margarete vxori mee duo quarteria tritici vnum ordii duo brasii vnum pisarum duos porcos. Item lego Waltero filio meo tres vaccas. Item lego predicte Margarete decem oves. Item lego Waltero predicto cruces ferreas in aula mea stantes cum pertinentiis suis vnum lauacrum pendens & vnum lauacrum cum pelue vnum veru magnum cum duabus andenis vnnam ollam magnam vnam patellam optimam vnum contrum.² Item lego Ricardo Steffnsun omnes pannos meos quibus diurne vtor. Item lego vnicuique filiorum meorum *iiij d.* Item lego vni sacerdoti legitime ordinato quinque libras pro stipendio vnius anni ad celebrandum pro salute anime mee et pro animabus parentum meorum. Residuum bonorum meorum non legatorum do et lego Roberto Smythe de Waltham Waltero filio meo et Jacobo Otby quo ordino facio et constituo meos veros et legitimos executores vt ipsi disponant pro salute anime mee & parentum meorum prout ipsis videbitur melius Deo placere & anime mee proficere. Hiis testibus Antonio Hennege ibidem rectore; Thoma Lyson; Ricardo Wache; & aliis.

Proved before Pryn, at Grymesby, 14 November, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT STEVENSON [OF KIRTON IN HOLLAND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 314d.]

14 January, 1530-1. I Robert Stevenson off Kyrtion in Holland makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the chyrchyerd of the holy appostellys Peter and Paule in Kyrtion in Holland. To the high alter for tithys forgotten *vjd.* To every alter in the same churche *ijd.* To the reparacions of the sayd churche *xxd.* To the Trinite gylde in the sayd churche *xijd.* To our mother church of Lincoln *ijd.* To the orphans of st Catheryns at Lincoln *ijd.* To my wyff my hed mansyon with the purtenances to the tyme that my doughters cum to the age of *xvj* yerys, and to kepe it in suffycient reparacions, and *iij* stong lying in Wynsholme, and *v* stong lying at Warner mylle, and *v* stong in

² for cantrum, cantharum.

Horne hurne, in thys condicion, that she shall kepe my chyldren to they cum at the age of xvij yeres, and yff that she wylnot, than I wyll that my executors take them and thys forsayd landes to bryng them up to they cum at laufull age. I wyll that my executors have the proffet of on house namyd Cooke house with the appurtenance, and iij stong at Mylne hyll, and iij stong at Smythee marshe, to the use of my doughtters to they cum at the age of xvij yeres. I will that my wyffe have the forsayd Cooke house with the purtenance, and iij stong at Mylne hyll, and iij stong in Smythee marshe immediatly aftyr that my doughtters cum to the age of xvij yeres for the terme of my wyffes lyff, kepyng it in sufficient repare, and aftyr the decease of my wyff, I will it remayn to my doughtters in fe symple. To Margaret and Elizabeth my doughtters at the age of xvij yeres my hed mansion with the purtenance, and iij stong in Wynsholme, and v stong at Warner mylne, and v stong in Horn hurne, in fe symple. I will that my mylne be as an hayr lumbe pertenyng to the hed mansion. I will that ether my doughtters be others heires yff ether of them dye before the age of xvij yeres ; and yf it fortune so that bothe my doughtters dye or they cum to xvij yeres, I will that my wyff have all my hole landes her lyff induryng. Yf bothe my doughtters dye before they cum to xvij yeres, then I gyff to Robert Stevenson, the sonne of Thomas Stevynson, on house callyd Cooke house with the purtenance, and iij stong at Mylne hyll, and iij stong at Smyth marshe, in fe symple, after the decease of my wyff. Yff my doughtters dye or they cum at the age of xvij yeres, then I will that my executors sell my hed mansion with the purtenance aftyr the decease of my wyff by the advisement of the churche wardens of Kyrton, and the money therfore receyvyd to be bestoyd of on hole sewte of vestimentes, to be prayd for me and my good frendes in Kyrton church. I will that yff my doughtters dye or they cum to the age of xvij yeres, then I give to Elizabeth Warner, the daughter of Thomas Warner, iij stong at Wynsholme in fe symple aftyr the decease of my wyff. I wyll yff my doughtters dye or they cum at the age of xvij yeres, then I will gyff to Catheryne Heyland, the daughter of Alen Heyland, v stong lying at Warner mylne aftyr the decease of my wyff in fe symple. Yff my doughtters dye or they cum to the age of xvij yeres, then I gyff to Jenet Warner, the daughter of Thomas Warner, v stong lande lying at Horne hurne in fe symple after the decease of my wyff. To Margaret and Elizabeth my doughtters xij sponys of sylver and on sylver mazer at the day of maryadge of my wyff. To my doughtters one gyrdyll of sylver, one pare of amber beades, after the decease of my wyff. I will that my executors sell halffe an acre anens William Mannys dore if they stand nede to pay my dettes with. I will have on dirige done for me and all my frendes for the space of xij yeres of ijs. by yere, xijd. therof to be takyn of my hed mansion to do it with, and other xijd. of Cooke house. Also the spruce chyst and the bed in the chamber to be as heyr lombys to my hed mansion. I will that Alen Heyland and John Coney have the custody of my chyldren goodes at the feste of Phylip and Jacob next insuyng. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alen Heyland and John Cony of Kyrton, whome I mak executors. Thes beryng wytnes, sir John Brewster of Kyrton ; sir Robert Thomson of the same ; Symon Greve ; Roger Williamson ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 7 March 1530-1, by the executors.

[THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BENTLEY OF TORKSEY].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 4d. Collated with another copy at f. 42d.]

16 January, 1530-1. I John Bentley of Torksey, husbandman, makes and ordyns this my testament. My body to be beryd within the churche of sanct Peter of Torksay, and for my mortuary as the law dothe requier. To the hye alter of the same church of sanct Peter xijd. To the same church for my beryhall ther to be had iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To every on of the houses of the frears in Lincoln xijd. To every preste within the abbay of sanct Leonarde of Torksay viijd. To eyther of the novys¹ vjd. To every none of Fossey iiijd. To the hye alter of Saxilbe xijd. To John Charter and hys wyff. To Annes my wyffes syster. To Wylliam Bentley, my son, xxxijs. iiijd. To Elyn my wyff. I wyl my ffeoffes wyche stand and be seasyd in my house in the paryche of sanct Maryes of Torksay, wyche I bought of sir Richard Robynson, vicar of sanct Maryes aforsayd, schal stand and be seasyd of and in the same to the vse of my sayd wyff to suche thyme as Annes my daughter cum to the age of xvij yeres, the sayd Elyn kepyng the reparacions necessary, and after my sayd daughter cum to the age of xvij yeres then the ffeoffes to be seasyd to the use of her and her heyers for ever. And yf she happyng to dye befor sche cum to the said age, then I wyl the sayd house be solde by my supervisor to the most profytte, and the money there off comyng equaly to be devyded and dystributed emonges my ij chyldren, that ys to sey, John Bentley and Thomas Bentley, my sonnes, by the discretion of my supervisor. The resydew of my gudes and caytel I gyff to John Bentley, Thomas Bentley, and Agnes Bentley, my chyldren, whome I make my full executors, and Robert Lylle to be my supervisour, and I wyl that he have the supervision and guydying off my sayd chyldren and ther partes to they cum to lawfull age ; and yf on of them happyng to dye within age then I wyl hys parte be evenly devyded emong them, levynge ordinari expences deducted, and my supervisour to have the guydying of my son Willian part and the supervision of hym to he cum to lawfull age, and I wyl my seyd supervisour have xijs. iiijd. for hys labour. Wyttynses, sir John Ranaldson ; Thomas Rycroft ; John Charter ; Wylliam Robynson ; and other moo.

Proved in the cathedral church of Lincoln before Henry Litherland, 24 March, 1530-1. Administration granted to John Bentley, reserving power to grant to Thomas and Agnes Bentley when they shall come to lawful age.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. GLUFFER [OF COVENHAM ST BARTHOLOMEW].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 323d.]

16 January, 1530-1. I William Gluffer of Conham Bartholomer, husbandman, makyth my wyll and testament. My body to be buryd in the churchyerde of Conham Bartholomew aforesayd, and that thyng to be my mortuary that the law will. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the high alter of Conham aforesayd viijd. To the church of Fulstowe iiijd. To Jenet my wyff. To Betteres my daughter a chawffer,

¹ 'nouesis' at f. 42d.

ijij pewter dooblers [etc.], that wer her moders. To John my servant. To Alice Fawcaner. The resydue of my goodes I will it be devydyd in ijij partes, and on part to be disposyd for the helthe of my soule, a nother to my wyff, the thyrde parte to my daughter, by the syght of Thomas Lameman and John Yedayll, whome I make the supervisors, havynge other of them iijs. iiijd. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Fynnay, parysh prest of the sayd churche; Robert Carter the elder; and Robert Allan; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Louth, 14 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HORDYNG [OF FRAMPTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 237.]

16 January, 1530-1. I John Ordyngh the elder of Frampton makes my testament w^t my last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of Frampton besyde the crosse. To the high altare of our Lady of Frampton for forgottyn tithys ijd. To the church warkes of Frampton ijd. To Thomas Ordyngh my sonne ij marys, on skawayd and one other blak, [etc.]. To Isabell Croft. To Thomas my sone all my landes and pasturys within Frampton excepte my house and the grounde that lyes under it, the wich my wyff hath for her feoffement the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease the sayd house with the grounde under it to remayn to Thomas my sonne, to hym and hys heyres of hys body; remainder to the next of the blode. To Marion Fell on hog. I wyll that Catheryn Ordyngh, my wyff, be my executrix and she to dispose the resydue of my goodes as she thynkes best for my soule helthe. I will that William Cony and Richerd Josson be supervisors, and they to have for ther labors iijs iiijd. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Xp'ofor Smyrke, vicar of Frampton; William Cony; Richerd Josson; John Ordyngh; and John Browne; and many moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 22 May 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN GOODALLE [OF QUADRING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 312d.]

17 January, 1530-1. I John Goodhale of Quadryng make thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the churche yerde of st Margaryttes in Quadryng. To the high alter in the same churche for tithys forgottyn xxd. To the mayntenynge of the organs on calffe. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Richerd Bell, whom I orden executor that he may order and [sic] to the use and bryngyng forthe of Johanne, Johanne and Anne my thre doughtters. Thes wytnes, Simon Hulton, prest; and Richerd Wast Waysse [sic] with other mooy.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 6 March, 1530-1, by the executor.

[LINCOLN DIOCESAN REGISTRY, INVENTORIES, 1508-50, No. 58.]

Jhesu

Thys ys the Inventorye of all the goodes som tyme belongyng to John Goodall' praseyd by Thomas Chenay, Thomas Byrdlay, Robert Eitwell' and Ryc' Ward the elder the xvij day of January anno Domini M^o ccccc^o xxx^o.

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| In primys a payntteyd cloth | ijs. | It' ij chayrrres | xjd. |
| It' a table w ^t trestyls | xvj.d. | It' ij fermeys w ^t a cobert | viijd. |

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| It' ij couerys | xijd. | It' iij tobys | iijs. |
| It' stokes for ij beddes | xijd. | It' a stryke | vjd. |
| It' a feder' bed & a bolster' xs. | | It' a par of mosterd' | |
| It' a iij coverleyd | iijs. | qwernes | iiijd. |
| It' a matrys | xijd. | It' a spynnynq qweyll | vijjd. |
| It' a brewyng leed | ijs. | It' ij stryke hempseyd | xijd. |
| It' iij chakeyttes | xxs. | It' v stryke lynseyd | iiijd. |
| It' ij jerdes of wolyn clothe | xvjd. | It' ij swyne | vjs. |
| It' ij blankeyttes | iiijs. | It' vijl iarne | xiiijd. |
| It' a gowne & a kyrtyll | xs. | It' vijjl stowne hemppre | iijs. iiijd. |
| It' lyne scheyttes ij payer | vs. | It' a table cloth | xvjd. |
| It' hardyne scheyttes ij payer | xxd. | It' a towell | vjd. |
| It' a stetour for a bedde of lyne | iiijs. | It' a cart & a ploght | vjs. viijd. |
| It' ix peces of powder | iijs. | It' iij kye ij qweys a berlyng & ij calfies iiijl. | |
| It' iij candylstekes | ijs. | It' a horsse j meer a fele & ij colyttes | xls. |
| It' a schwafyng dysche | xvjd. | It' all maner of corne | liijs. iiijd. |
| It' a seerse of latyn | iiijd. | It' v geys | xxd. |
| It' a speit w ^t ij cobyrons | ijs. | | |
| It' iij brasse poittes | xijs. | | |
| It' ij ketels ij pany & a scomer | ijs. | | |

Summa totalis presedencium xiiijl. ijs. xd.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN TAYLYOR [OF GREAT COTES].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 324d.]

17 January, 1530-1. I John Taylyour of Gret Cotys, taylour, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Nicholes of Gret Cotes. To the hygh alter of the sayd Cotes for my forgottyn tithys ij wether hogges. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the churche my best cote to be solde and the money therof to be devydyd in thre, the fyrist parte to the church warkes, the secund parte to the roodelofte, the thyrde parte to the bellys. To Xp'ofe Whytyn, my cosyn, xxvjs. viijd. To my daughter Agnes xls., [etc.]. To Richerd Watson. To my cosyn, Robert Taylour. To my godchylder ychon of them ijd. To Thomas Watson. To ether of the orders of frerys of Grymesby a bochel barly. To the churche a cowe to be lettyn at the syght of the churchwardens to a pore man for ijs., xijd. of it to the churchwarkes, vjd. for dirige and messe, vjd. for bred and ale to the ryngers. I gyff xs. for a trentall to be done in the church of st Nicholes in Gret Cotys. The rest of my goodes I gyf to Agnes my wyff, whome I make my executrix that she may do as she thynkes best for the helthe of my soule. Thes beyng wytnes, Geffray Fortherby; Robert Lowe; Thomas Dennys.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 15 March 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS GAYTON [OF WRAGHOLME].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 190d.]

21 January, 1530-1. I Thomas Gayton of Wragholtme. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of s^t Clement in Garnthorp; and the best thynge that I have to be my mortuary. To the high alter of s^t Clement of Garnthorp for tithys and oblaciōns forgotten xijd. To the anowrnyng of s^t Clement in Garnethorp iiijd. To our Lady of

Pety in the church aforesayd iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. [folio 191] To the iiij orders of frerys of Lincoln every order severally by them selffe iiijd. I shyfte the land the wych I bought betwyxt my sonys Thomas and John in thys forme, I gyff my sone Thomas a place of ground the wich is callyd Raffe Garthe, and another place of ground the wich is callyd Webster Crofte. Also I will that ther be xiijd. taken of the sayd lande for evermore yerly to on obbyt in thys forme foloyng, fyrist iiijd. to the prest for sayng the office of dethe, and aftyr messe in the morne aftyr to cum downe to the herse as custome is ; also jd. to the clerke and another jd. to the messe peny in the morne aftyr ; also ijd. to the well off the church for the claymyng of the same obbyt ; also ijd. to the bellys, and ijd. to the ryngthers. To John my sone a place of grounde the wich is callyd Yernest Crofte with ij selions of lande lying at the west ende of the same close, as in on dede more fully apperyth. Also I wyll that yff anythyng cum at other of them, then the on to be the other heyr. Yff it be so that they dy bothe with [sic] yssue, I will it remane to Isabell my daughter and hyr heyres. Also I will that Jenet my wyff have all my sone Thomas parte and halff of John duryng her lyff, yff it be so that she kepe her sole and unmaryed or ellys for Thomas parte iijs. of money whether she wyll, or ellys she to manor it peaseably duryng her lyff. Also I will that Jenet my wyff have halff of John parte and pay halff of all maner of chargys duryng her lyff. And after her dethe, I gyff it hym and hys heyres for evermore. I will that Thomas my sone enter of all hys hare lande, pastur, etc., savyng that I will that Jenet my wyff have my manor wich I dwell in wyth all the proffyt of bothe the closys that it standes on ; and he to enter of all other maner of porcions after my decease and to agre with the lorde, savyng that I will that Jenet my wyff have the too acr' land and the intake of Mr William Skypwyth, payng yerly to hym for the same ijs. viijd. [folio 191d.] Also yff anythyng cum at me, I will that Thomas my sone and hys barne have the iiij hogges wich I solde hym by a price, to pray for me. To Clement Symson. To Helene Prowys. To John Rumbalde and hys mother. The resydwere of all my goodes not wyt I gyff Jenet my wyff, savyng that I will that John have my chawffer, and Thomas my cobbart, and it to be on hare lome as long as it lastes. I make Jenet my wyff my executrix. Also I make Thomas and John my sonys supervisors. Thes wytnes, sir John Pormard, parysh prest ; Thomas Woode of Northesomercotes ; Alan Gayton ; John Akthorpe ; William Woode ; with other moy.

Proved at Louth, 10 March, 1529-30.¹

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN TYDE [OF MARSTON].

[L.C.C. 1520-31, f. 307.]

21 January, 1530-1. I John Tyde of Marston make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churcheyerde of our blessyd Lady off Marston. I will that my goodes be devydyd in thre partys, on parte to my selff, another to my wyff, and the thyrde to my chyldren. Also because I am nedys of money as now I will that on of my best ky be solde, on parte to cause halffe a trentall to be song at the Augustyn frerys at Lincoln, and the resydue to bryng me to the grunde. To the

¹ *Rectius '1530-1'*. The wills before and after this one were proved in 1530.

high alter a pounde waxe. To st Savyor on schepe. To the bellys of Marston on schepe. To the church of Marston on quye. To Agnes Marcham on red quye. To my father in lawe, Robert Wryght, my best gowne, my best bonnet, and my canvys dooblyt. To my gostly father ijs. To William Kyrke iiijd. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Cecile my wyff and Robert Wryght my father in lawe, who I make executors to order and dispose for the helth of my soule. Thes wytnes, sir Thomas Gravys prest ; sir John Wymerke prest ; Robert Ayston ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Ancastre, 27 February, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN VER [OF REEPHAM].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 3. *Collated with another copy at f. 41.*]

22 January, 1530-1. I John Ver of Rypham makes my will. My body to be buryed in the church yarde of saynt Peter and Paull of Rypham, with my mortuary after the vse as now is. To the cath' church of Lincoln iiijd. To saynt Hugh his hed iiijd. To the church warke of Rypham iiij strike barley. To Barlynges for tithys forgotten half a quarter barley. The residew of my guddes I giffe to Robert Townhend¹ and William Pynchbeke, whom I make myn executors, that thei dispose it so as it be for the helth of my saull and the lovyng of God. Thies beyng wytnes, sir Robert Wilkynson, vicar of Repham ; Robert Ver ; and William Ver ; with other moo.

Proved before L., in the cathedral church of Lincoln, 18 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. BRADLAY [OF HALLINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 303d.]

23 January, 1530-1. I William Bradlay of Hallyngton, makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Laurence in Hallyngton. To the high altare iiijd. To our mother churche of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady warke iiijd. To st Laurence churche halff a quarter barly. To the church of Golceby iiijd. To the church of Asterby iiijd. To Jenet my wyff the thyrd parte of my goodes. To Jenet my doughter v marke. To John my sonne a grynston spyndyll. To Richerd my sone an hyren harrow. The resydewe of my goodes I will that John and Richerd my sonnys dispose for the helth of my soule, whome I make executors, and they to have for ther labors other of them iijs. iiijd. Thes men beyng wytnes, sir Robert Browne, vicar ; Thomas Mytchyll ; George Rysby ; Thomas Mytchyll yonger ; John Gray ; Robert Smyth ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Louth, 12 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. HOLDYNG [sic] [OF BURGH ON BAIN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 349d.]

23 January, 1530-1. I William Hodlyng, seke of body makes my last will. My body to be buryd in the churche yerde of st Helene of Burgh

¹ Towhend *at f. 41.*

of Bayn. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To Burgh high alter iiijd. I will my wyff be my full executrix and my chyder I will thay have of my goodes at my wyffes disposicion. Wytnes, m^r John Rude; William Myssenden, vicar; John Spenythorne; Richerd Copper.

Proved before P., at Wragby, 27 March, 1531, by the executrix.

[THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS BLACAM^R OF FLIXBOROUGH.]

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 7d. *Collated with another copy at f. 45d.*]

31 January, 1530-1. I Thomas Blacam^R of Flyxbrugh doo ordayne and make thys my last wyll and testament. My body to be beryd within the churche of Flyxburgh. To my curatt sir Wylliam in restituc' of tythes forgoten yff any suche be one cow. To the churche warke of Flyxburgh iijs.¹ iiijd. Item ijs. to bye a clothe to the hye alter of the same churche. To ower Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To my cosyn Bartylmew. To Anne Hamertun my best harness sylver gyrdyll. To Thomas Westybe, my lytyl boy, all my rament and hys fyndyng at the syght of Thomas Kelke and John Colinson. The resydew of all my goodes I gyff to Johan my wyff, wyche Johan I ordayne executrix, and the sayd Thomas Kelke and John Colinson supervisures. Thes beynge wyttnes, Thomas Cornwell; Aland Chawmerlane²; Thomas Kelke; John Colinsun; and other moo.

Proved at Appulby, 28 March, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF ALICE WOLRICHE [OF SPALDING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 238d.]

31 January, 1530-1. I Alice Wolriche of Spaldyng makes my testament and last will, [etc.]. My body to be buried in the parysh church yerde of our Lady and st^t Nicholes in Spaldyng. To the high altare in Spaldyng a towyll. To the high altare in the abbay a towyll. To our Lady of Lincoln a sylver ryng and iiijd. To st^t Catheryns without the wallys of Lincoln ijd. To our Lady of Walssyngham iiijd. To our Lady of Eldermer iiijd. [folio 239]. I will have a trentall of messys done at *Scala celi* in Boston, and another trentall done at Cowbyt for the helth of my soule and all crysten soulys. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Nicholes Wolryche my brother, whome I make my executor. Wytnes herof, sir Robert Gee; William Lunglaye; Robert Scotte; with other.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 23 May, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF AGNES PYSCHE [OF FREISTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 383.]

1 February, 1530-1. I Agnes Pysche off Freston makes my testament, [etc.]. My body to [be] buried within the churche of the holly apostyll st^t Jamys and my mortuary that the lawe requiryth. To the sacrament for oblyvios tithys vjd. To st^t Jamys ijd. To st^t Sythe ijd. To our Lady of Pety jd. To our lady warkes of Lincoln vjd. To the fatherineles chylder without the yates ijd. To m^r pryor of Freston and hys bretherne

¹ iijs. omitted at f. 45d.

² Thomas Cornwell and Jhon Aland chamerlane at f. 45d.

ijs. viijd. To Thomas my sun all the woode that lyeth in the garthe that is mete for buyldynge, [etc.]. To Alice my daughter a chaffyng dyshe, one arke, a dyshekelffe that stands in the hall, [etc.]. To Marion my daughter a pottyll panne, a posnet, a spruce kyst, my best beades with the jewelles off them, one ambre, [etc.]. To William my sonne my leade. To Robert Fox off Tofte. To Robert hys sun iiijd. To Richerde Fox, Grace Foxe, John Foxe, William Turpyn, John Turpyn my godsun, Isabell Turpyn, John Pyshe, and Grace hys daughter, Alice Bowde, John Bowde, John Kyrby, and Agnes hys daughter, Agnes Semly my goddaughter. The resydue of my goodes I putto the disposition of my executors, William Bowde and Robert Foxe, to dispose for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys, and they to have for ther labor ether of them vs., and William Croslay to be supervisor that thys my bequeth-word may be fulfyllyd, and he to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Wytnes, sir Thomas Pycto; John Kyrby; John Symon; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 19 February, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. HUPTON [OF HONINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 308d.]

2 February, 1530-1. I Thomas Vpton of Honington makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the churchyerde of st^t Wylfryde of Honington. To the high alter of Honington churche a yowe. To our Lady warke off Lincoln iiijd. To Margaret Hamer. To William Vpton my brother. To iij sonys of Richerd Vpton. To Richerde my brother. To John Roper. To John Glasyer. To Robert Beuercotes. To the chylde that my wyff is wyth all yff God sende it crystyndome. To Schelton churche xiijs. iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth to Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executrice to dispose for the helthe of my soule as she thynkes most expedient. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Alexander Mannyngham; William Bothby; John Bothby; John Sutton; Robert Beuercotes; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 28 February, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN JELEAN [OF LEAKE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 387.]

2 February, 1530-1. I John Jelyan of Leeke makys my last wyll and testament. My body to be buryd in the churche yard of our Lady of Leeke. To the parsonys for forgottyn tythes ijs. To every awter in Leeke churche ijd. To the churche worke of Leeke ijs. iiijd. I gyff the [sic] with the grond that yt standes apone to William Flechborne in fee symple of that condycyon that he shall do on yerely annysary [sic] in the churche of Leeke for my sole and all crysten solles by the spacco of xij yerrys after this present date before wrytting. To Ric' Trowtyng. To Thomas West a fowlyng net. To Thomas Flechborne. To Thomas Parkar my godsone iiijd. To John Gelyan syme a fowlyng net of viij^{tes} fethwines. To John Gelyan cowper a crayne net. To John Flechborne. I will that the xxs. that ys owyng me yf hit maye be gotyn be bestowyd on ij trentalles for my sole and all crysten sowlles. The resyde of goodes I gyff to William Flechborne whome I orden executur and with hym to be Ric' Trowtyng to bryng me forthe and to dyspose for the

helthe of my sole as they thynke best, and I will that Ric' Trowtyng have for hys labure and Payne iijs iiijd. Witnese, frear Thomas Cammoke; John Jelyan; and William Whetley; with other dyvers.

Proved before P., at Sweyneshed, 7 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD BECHE [OF STAINTON LE VALE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 327d.]

3 February, 1530-1. I Richerde Beche of Stanton in le Hole makes my last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of st^t Androy off Stanton. To the high alter of st^t Androy for tithys forgottyn xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln ijd. To our Lady warke ijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Jenet my wyff, Robert and Walter my sonnys, to dispose to the pleasure of God and the helth of my soule as she thynkes best. Thes wytnes, sir John Manknowle parson; John Androy; John Henderby; with many other mo.

Proved before P., at Market Rasen, 17 March, 1530-1, by the executors (*not named*).

[THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM ELAND OF BELTON].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 5d.]

3 February, 1530-1. I William Eland, syk in body, make my testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of Allaloys off Belton. Also I beset xs. to be giuen in the stede off my mortuary. Also I beset xijd. to the hye awter. Also I besett to sanct Hught off Lincoln vjd. Also I besett a house off sanct John holde in Humbulqwate to my wyffe Katerne so long as sche lyvys sole, with all that longys thereto, duryng her lyffe; and sche dye or be maryed I wyll it remayne to my ij sons Thomas and Wylliam with all the appurtenance. The resydu off my guddes I gyff to my wyffe, wyche I make my executor. Wyttnes that thys ys my last wyll, Ric' Papulwell; Thomas Awdhouse.

Proved at Belton, 27 March, 1531.

[THE TESTAMENT OF JANE HUNTE [OF PINCHBECK].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 313.]

5 February, 1530-1. I Jane Hunte of Pynchbek makes my will and testament. My body to be buryd in the churche of Pynchbek aforesayd. To the high alter of the sayd churche for tithys forgotten xijd. To every alter in the sayd churche iiijd. To the church warke of the sayd churche iijs. iiijd. To the church warke of Surflete vjs. viijd. To the warke of the churche of Lincoln vjd. To our Lady of Lincoln for oblacions forgottyn vjd. To the faderles chylder of st^t Catheryns without Lincoln vjd. To st^t Jamys alter on chalys price v markes. To the sayd alter on kyrchyff. To the Trinitie alter on kyrchyff. I will ther be disposyd for me of my buryng day iiijl. in the qwere and to pore people. Also at my vijth day vjs. viijd. Also at my xxxth day vjs. viijd. I will that on honest prestre do syng for my soule my frendes soulys and all crysten soulys the space of on yere, and he to have for hys labor viij markes. To sir Tole xs., on trussyng coffer, [etc.]. To my syster Helene Madysone on gowne, on kyrtyll, on harness gyrdyll, my best beades, [etc.]. To Edward Madysone the elder iijs. iiijd. To Mary Madison. To Jane

Alphyn. To Jane Madyson my goddoughter on whyte tester, [etc.]. To John Madyson xxd. To Edward Madyson the yonger xxd. To Jane Brygges. To John Burton xijs. iiijd. my best prasse, my cownter, my ambry, my best basyn with the laver, [etc.], at the age of xxj^{ty} yeres, and yff he dye before that age I will my executors do dyspose the forsayd legacyes for the helthe of my soule. To Thomas Borton. To Elizabeth Burton. To Thomas Parker my godson ijs. To Margaret Mawer. To Helene Whyte. To Catheryne Martyn. I will that all my napre ware other ways callyd lynnyn gere be gyffyn to pore people in the towne of Pynchbek. To Thomas Obrey vjs. viijd. To Mawde Donyt xijd., [etc.]. To Jenet Smyth of Spaldyng. To Jenet Obrey, Margaret Graffe, Jenet Newland, Alice Valys, Agnes Martyn, Brydgewater wyff, sir William Bewyk, Emote Ebdon. I will that my executors do sell my housys lying in Sleford the wich I had of my lorde Husey and my lande at Fosdyke and dispose for the helthe of my soule. The resydue of my goodes I putt to the disposicion of sir John Tooly prest and John Hyll the yonger of Pynchbek auditor, whome I make executors for the helth of my soule as they shall best thynke, and ether of them to have for hys labour vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, sir William Bewyk prest; Robert Alphyn; William Thorpe; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 6 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

[LINCOLN DIOCESAN REGISTRY, INVENTORY, 1508-50, No. 176.]

Thys ys the Inuytary of ye goodes of Jane Hunte of Pynchebek seyn and praysyd be theys iiij honest men of the sayd towne Jhon' Hyll senior Robert Walpull Robert Alphyn Alexander Prowyett the secunde day of the moneth of marche in ye yere of or Lord God a m cccc and xxxjti.

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Summa totalis xl. xijs. iiijd.

[THE TESTAMENT OF HENRY SMYTHE OF GARTHORPE].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 6. *Collated with another copy at f. 44.*]

10 February, 1530-1. I Henry Smythe of Garlthrope of the parryche of Luddyngton make my will. My body to be beryed in churche 3ard of sanct Oswalde of Luddynton. To Henry Seton vjs. viijd. [etc.]. To Marget Nordaby iijs. iiijd. [etc.]. I wit to Edmunde Graue iijs. in peny and penyworth. To the vicar of Luddynton a cow worth a ryall for hys gud praers and hys diligent busines. The residew of my guddes I gyff to John Smyth my son, whom I make myne executor. Thes men wyttnes, sir Robert Clark vicar of Luddynton; Thomas Mylner of Garlthrope; and Ric' Reydhed; with other moo.

Proved at Belton, 27 March, 1530.

[THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HWYTT OF WHITTON].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 7d. *Collated with another copy at f. 45d.*]

15 February, 1530-1. I John Hwytt¹, seke in body, makyth my last wyll and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche of Wytton nye the madyns lyght. I bequeste for my mortuary as the lawe requyers. I bequest² xijd. to ower Lady warke of Lincoln. I bequeste² xijd. to be offerryd uppon the hye awter of Wytton for tythes and dewtys forgotten. I bequest³ a cow to the churche of Wytton the prycce vjs. viijd. to be after the forme and maner of Agnes Fletcheres⁴ in all maner of condicyon. To Wylliam Harslay iijs. iiijd. to se that my wyll be fulfyllyd. I make for my executures my wyff Agnes and Jelyan my doughter, to whon⁵ I gyff all my holl guddes not bequest when my dettes be payd, that ys to say to Rychard of Banton xvijs.⁶ iiijd., to Myllyn wyff of Waucott vjs. iiijd., to John Mott wyff xiijs. iiijd., to Robert Heyryson vjs. viijd., to the maydyn lyght ixs. vd., to Jenatt Barnard a quarter of barley for a certan money takyn for schep, to Thomas Thorneton xxid., to Wylliam Wylkynson xvijd. Morover I wyll that my wyff Agnes schall gyff to my son Steven xxid. and my doughter Jelyan other xxid. 3erely to be payd duryng the terme of xvij 3eres and yff it forton thys forsayd money nott to be payd in any part or in all than it schall be lawfull for the [folio 8] forsayd Steven to enter to hys tenament. Also yf it forton thys forsayd Steuen to dye within the terme of xvij 3eres than the farmehold to be sould and deuydyd amone my wyff and my chyldren. Thes beyng wyttnes herof, Wylliam Harslay; Xp'ofor Dynsdayll; Wylliam Heryson.

Proved before L., 28 March, 1530, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JENYT YONG [OF BRANT BROUGHTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 356.]

15 February, 1530-1. I Jennet Yong of Brantbroughton, vidoy, hole of mynde and reason neuertheles takyn with bodily infirmitie and seknes, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryd within my parysh kyrke of s^t Helene of Brentbroughton. To the high alter iiijd. and one alter clothe. I bequeth vjs. viijd. to fynde a light before Mary of Piety. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the iiij orders of frerys at Lincoln and to the Observantes at Newarke to

¹ Hivitt at f. 45d.⁴ flythers at f. 45d.² bequey at f. 45d.⁵ whom at f. 45d.³ quest at f. 45d.⁶ xvij. at f. 45d.

every on one stryke whete and one stryke barly. To Jennet Yong. To Robert Yong. To Robert Bocher wyff and to hys ij chylder. The resydue of my goodes with in the house and woode and colys I gyff to Xp'ofor Bocher and John Bocher. To William Yong xls. To the kyrke of Scawby vjs. viijd. I make my executors William Yong and Xp'ofor Bocher, and Jenkyn Langwyth supervisor. Wytnes herof, sir Thomas Hyrde prest; sir Robert Lewty prest; John Bocher; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Ancaster, 5 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS CAPE [OF CONINGSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 298.]

16 February, 1530-1. I Thomas Cappe makyth my testament. My body to be buryed within the church yerde of s^t Michell the archangell of Connesby. To the high alter of the sayd Connesby xijd., and to the reparacions of the same church xijd., and to the bellys of the same vjd. To John Cappe my cosyn a jaket and a dooblet. To John Pakker my brother in lawe I will that the house with the appurtenances wch [folio 298d.] I bought of John Hawmotson schall be solde and viijl. of the moneyn evenly to be devydyd betwyxt Cecile Cappe and Mary Cappe my doughters. Moreover yff it shall fortune that other of the sayd Cecill Cappe or Mary Cappe to dy afore that tyme she cum to yeres of discretion then I wyll that she wych doth lyff shall have the hole somme of viijl. The resydue off my goodes I gyff to Dorothe Cappe my wyff, wch I make my executrix. I have desyeryd to testifie that thys is my testament, William Magson prest; Thomas Oueray; Peter Babe; Thomas Cotes; and Thomas Babe. I make supervisors m^r John Littleberry and m^r John Rygges.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 8 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JON LANGLEY [OF SPRIDLINGTON].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 4. Collated with another copy at f. 42.]

I Jenytⁱ Langley of Spridlington, wydow woman, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed within the church yard of saynt Hillary of Spridlington. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To the hye awter of Spridlington iiijd. To Thomas my sonne. To John my son. To Jarrarde my sonne. To Robert my sonne a swerme of beys. To the church of Spridlington a stocke of bees. To Henry my servant. To Laurence Langley. The residew of my goddes I giffe to William my sonne and Agnes my daughter, whom I make myne executors, the forto dispose for my saull as the thinke gud. Master Robert Dighton of Glentworth to be supervisor. In wytnesse therupon, m^r parson the curet of the church; mr Richard Lacye; John Langley; with other moo. Dated 17 February, 1530-1.

Proved before L., 21 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. HATCLYFE [OF GRIMSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 404.]

24 February, 1530-1. I William Hatclyff of Grymesby, esquyre, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the parysh

¹ Genet at f. 42.

churche of st Jamys in the iell of the Assumpson of our Lady for the wych I bequeth to the sayd churche vjs. viijd. To the hygh altare of our Lady of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warkes iijs. iiijd. To the hygh altare of st Jamys iijs. iiijd. To every gylde within the sayd churche xiijd. To the hygh altare of Hatchlyff churche iijs. iiijd. To every godchylde that I have on lyve iiijd. To my godsone Wylliam Goodhande. To William Curtas xiijd. To William Weckers xiijd. To Catheryne my servant for her servys xs. To my lorde abbot of Wellou and hys convent iijs. iiijd. To my lady priorisse and her convent iiijs. To m^r Doctor iijs. iiijd. and to hys convent iijs. iiijd. To m^r prior of the Augustyne frerlys xiijd. and to every frere in hys sayd house iiijd. To m^r Watson iijs. iiijd. To m^r vicar iijs. iiijd. To sir William Lasby chanon xiijd. To John Hatchlyff xiijd. To Jamys Hatchlyff xiijd. To every man woman and chylde that commys to my buryall one peny, prestes vjd. and clerkes ijd. To Richerd Copsey parыш clerke xiijd. To my cosyn dame Margaret Hatchlyff ijs. To the parson of st Marys xiijd. To the [folio 404d.] reparacions of st Marys chyrch xiijd. To Batterellys wyff vjs. viijd. To hys heldest sonne vjs. viijd. To my sonne Thomas Hatchlyff accordyng to my promise a hundredth markes to the purchessyng of the owt renttes of Hatchlyff or as moche other landes to dyscharge it for the welthe of hys chyldren, and to be put in tale accordyng to my fathers tale, and also to the tale that I have mayd; provyd always that the hundredth markes that I have gyffyn him to be unpayd to the sayd landes be bought and put in tale accordyng to the tripartytes that I have mayd. To Richerd Hatchlyff my sonne xxxl. over and above that I gyvyn hym yff God send hym to skape at thys tyme hys sykenes and to comme to hys handes. To William Hatchlyff my sonne. To my welbeluffyd wyff Catheryne Hatchlyff all my stuff off householde with plate and joellys of aray. To my sonne Thomas Goodhande and to my daughter hys wyff xls. To Jane Goodhande to her maryage xls. To my sonne Gye Towers and to my daughter hys wyff xxs. over and above that I lent theym, and that I lent theym I forgyff them. To Alice Pavys xls. and Anne Pavys xls., my doughters. To John Hatchlyff my sonne. To Gye Towers and to my daughter hys wyff I bequeth my chamlet gowne withoutt the furre, and my velvyt jerkyn to Hatchlyffes church and to the use and profet theroff. The rest of my goodes I put to the discretion of Catheryne Hatchlyff my wyff, Thomas Hatchlyff, [folio 405] William Hatchlyff, Thomas Goodhande and Gye Towers, my sonnes, whome I make executors. Wytnesses my lorde abbot of Welhoo; master Mare; master doctor the warden of the Gray frerlys; sir Peter Mundy vicar of st Jamys; sir Robert Watson chauntry preste. I make the parson of Hatchlyff the supervisor, and for the same and the makynge of one cope and of a vestment of the gowne and jerkyn that I have bequethyd to Hatchlyffes church, to have for hys labor xijs. iiijd.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 26 August, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. HESSYLL [OF LOW TOYNTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 298.]

24 February, 1530-1. I William Hessyll of Nether Toynton nygh Horncastr' makes my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the church or the churchyeerde of the holy appostelles Peter and Paull

of Toynton aforesayd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln viijd. To the high alter of Toynton for forgottyn tithys iiijd. To the church warke ther ijs. iiijd. To Alice my daughter. To Margaret my daughter ij yeryng qwyces. To Nicholes Hessyll one scheder foole. To Margaret Nicholson xijd. To John Knyght. To every one of my other god chylder iiijd. I will that my executor cause iiij messys to be sayd at *Scala celi* at Boston for me and Catheryne my wyff and William Hessyll and Agnes my father and mother. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Thomas Hessyll my sonne, whome I make my executor, with the oversight of sir John Balet parson of the churche off Toynton, whome I make supervisor, and he to have for hys labor ijs. Thes men beyng wytnes, master Boucher; Richerd Newcom; William Teryngton; and Charles Barret; with other mo. Gyffyn at Toynton, [etc.].

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 8 May, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF HENRY GARTHAM [OF EAST HALTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 326.]

28 February, 1530-1. I Henry Gartham of the parysh of Esthalton upon Humbre settes my testament. I bequeath my soule vnto allmyghtty God y^t creat it and w^t hys preciose blode bought it, to our Lady s^t Mary, and to all the gloriouse cumpeny of heven. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of s^t Peter of Halton. To our Lady of Lincoln in oblacions iiijd., and to her warke iiijd. To the church warke of Halton ijs. iiijd. To our Lady gylde of the same viijd. To my curat the vicar of Halton to pray for me xxd. To my daughter Agnes Jobson. To Agnes Gartham my wyff all the housholde goodes within the house and the seller without devydynge. I orden Agnes Gartham to be my executrix. Wytnes, sir Thomas Ryall vicar; Thomas Gartham; William Gartham; George Jobson; James Robenson; and William Langrek; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Castor, 16 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM CRAYLLE [OF HORBLING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 311d.]

1 March, 1530-1. I William Craylle of Horblyng makes my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the church yerde of s^t Androy in Horblyng. I gyff to my mortuary as the custome that now is. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd., and to the pore chyldren of saynt Catheryns iiijd. To the high alter of s^t Androy vjd., and to the bellys vjd. To John my sonne. To Jane my doughtter. To Malde my doughtter. And yff any of those iij chylder departe or they marry then that parte to be devydyd betwyxte the other that lyffes. To Xp'ofe Crale. To Robert my sonne ij kye [etc.], and I will that hys mother to kepe them as she dothe her awn, and the increasse to hys behoyff, and hym to he be of laufull age. And therfore I gyff to Elizabeth my wyff all the resydewe of my goodes, whome I make my executrix to dispose it for the well of my soule as she thynkes best. In wytnes herof, sir Richerd Baynton vicar; Richerd Palmer; Xp'ofe Crale; with moy.

Proved before P., at Sempyngham, 4 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

[THE WILL OF THOMAS STEVYNSON OF HACKTHORN].

[STOW, 1530-52, f. 15d. *Collated with another copy at f. 54.*]

2 March, 1530-1. I Thomas Stevynson of Hakthorne, sike in body, makes my will. My body to be buried in the churche yarde of Hackthorne, and my best beist to go for my mortuarye, and for thithes forgotton xx*d.* To our Lady of Lincoln xi*d.* To every order of freers j strike of barley. To Spridlington church xi*d.* To Welton church viii*d.* To Hakthorne church ii*s.* iii*d.* To Greingham church j quarter barley. To the maundy of Shere Thersday v*d.* To John Heley. To John Byrdtoft wyff and her childer. To Isabell my servante, and to every on of the childer in the house. To every on of my godchilder within the towne of Hakthorne i*d.* To Roberte Stevynson and his wiff and his childer. To my daughter Jenyt, wiff to William Aland xl*s.*, and to be paid bi Margaret my daughter when it commys to her handes [folio 16]. To Margaret my wiff all my lande¹ and Cottome howse for vj yeres yf she kepe her unmaryed, and yf so be that she mary then she for to leve it and go to Cotom howse agayn, and that house to have for her liff. I giffe my howse that I dwell in with all that thereto belongs to Margaret my daughter and to the heres of her body, and if so be the saide Margaret departe withoute eny ishew then I will that it go to the next of my kyn and the for to by yt yf the plesse, and if so be that the will by it then the to have it xx*s.* under the valew. And if that thei wilnot medill with it then I will that my executors sell it to the most valew that the may, and the money to be disposyd for my soull and my gud frendes soulles. I make John Byrdtofte and Richard Code² to be myn executors and the to have for ther labors ii*s.* iii*d.* a pece. I make syr John Stevynson supervisor, and he to have for his labur ii*s.* iii*d.* To Margaret my wiff ii*s.* oxon and all the howshold stuff except a gret pott and a huche wich shalbe heyre lomys to them that commys after. I will that ij of the oxon bequethed to my wiff when that she levys the said howse go to my executors handes, and the for to sell them and the money to be disposyd for my saull. I will that Margaret my wiff make no wast of the grownde but for buyldinge yf so be that it nede but for snathinge and wedinge. The residew I will be disposyd for my saull. Robert Raby of Snarforthe owys me ii*s.* iii*d.* and Edmunde Bedall wiff viii*d.* Witnessse hereoff, syr John Gybson vicar of Hakthorne; Thomas Atterby; Lawrence³ Wilhous; Will' Toynton; Thomas Toynton; with other mo.

Proved at Lincoln, before L., 13 June, 1533. Administration granted to John Byrdtofte, Richard Code² refusing.

THE TESTAMENT OF AGNES GYLL [OF DUNSBY ST ANDREW].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 383*d.*]

[No date]. I Agnes Gyll make my laste will and testament. My body to be buried in the churche of st^t Andro in Dunesby. To the churche of Dunesby ii*s.* iii*d.* To the high altare iii*d.* To our lady of Lincoln i*d.* To the paryshe preste to pray for me iii*d.* To Margaret my

¹ landes at f. 54.

² Rode at f. 54.

³ Lawrence is omitted at f. 54.

doughter a spynnyng whele, a pare of cardes, and a hekkyll, viij pesys of vessell, a kyrtyll clothe, iiiij yerdes and di' of tawny, [etc.]. I gyff Margaret my parte of iij chawlsers and so sche must have all thre. To Jamys my sonne vjs. viijd. To Jamys my sonne to dispose aftyr hys discretion for hys father and me the iijs. iiijd. that the bocher of Byllyngburgh hawyth me. I will that my executors make a trentall to be sayd for the soulys of my ij husbandes and me as soon as may be. I make my full executores Thomas and John my sonnys. I make John of Dale oversear and to have for hys labor xijd. In wytnes heroff, sir John Warde; John a Dale; Richerd Carter; with other mo. I will that sir John Burton do syng the trentall for my husbandes and me.

Proved before P., at Sleaford, 4 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF ALYSON HOWDAM [OF HOLTON LE CLAY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 353d.]

4 March, 1530-1. I Alyson Howdan off Howton next Grymesby makes my full testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of st Peter in Howton. To the high alter in Howton for forgottyn tithys viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To Claxby church xijd. To Thoresway church xijd. To Tetney church iiijd. To Wath church iiijd. To our Lady gylde in Howton halffe a quarter barly. To a honest prest xs. for to syng for my soule a trentall. The resydue [folio 354] off my goodes I gyff to Robert Howdan my sonne, whome I make executor. Thes wytnes, sir John Tharrolde vicar; sir Thomas Martyn; John Martyn; Robert Denyns; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 27 April, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. JOHNSON [OF MARTIN BY TIMBERLAND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 385.]

4 March, 1530-1. I Thomas Johnson of Marton in the parysh of Tymberlande makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of st Andro in Tymberlande. To the high altare of the same churche for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the warkes off our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To Thomas Wylson my sonne in lawe iiiij marke [etc.]. To Agnes my doughter. To John Baly. To Jenet Gregbe. To the church warke of Tymberlande. To our lady of Merton a yowe schepe. To Robert Gregbe and Alice Stele. To my brother William. To William Johnson sun. I will have a trentall of messes sayd in Timberland churche for my soule and all xp'en soulys. To Robert Johnson my brother a gog schepe. To Richerde Johnson my brother. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alice my wyff, which I make my executrix, to dispose for the helthe of my soule as sche thynkes best. Wytnes herof, sir Robert Dowke curate of Tymberlande; William Johnson; Thomas Herdson; Robert Herryon; John Cok; with other.

Proved before P., at Braunceton, 21 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM BREYLSFORTH [OF HARLAXTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 365d.]

5 March, 1530-1. I William Breylsforth of Harlaxton makes my testament or last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of

s^t Androy of Harlaxton. To the church of Harlaxton xijd. To the high altare of the same viijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the high altare of Lincoln iiijd. To m^r William Bryghouse my curet one qwy in discharge of my mortuary and to pray for me. To every one of my chyldren when they cum to xvij yeres of age iijs. iiijd. And yff so be that any of them dy or they cum to that age ther parte to be equally devydyd emonges them that survyves. To John Grene the yonger. To Nicholes Colby. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Agnes Breylsforth my wyff, whome I make my executrix to bryng me to the grounde, [etc.]. I make Robert Grene and Alexander Grene the super-visors, and to have for ther labors xxd. Thes beyng wytnes, Richerd Wylkynson; Robert Adam; William Whyte; with other moy.

Proved before P., 17 October, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT MABLESON [OF BROTHERTOFT].

[L.C.C. 1532-4, f. 64d.]

6 March, 1530-1. I Robert Mableson of Brothertoft and of the parysshe of Frawmeton with a hole mynde makys my last wyll. My body to be buryed in the churche yarde of Framton. To the hye awlter in Framton churche xijd, and to the fatherles chyldren of saynt Katherynes ijd. To ower Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To Adlarde my son a fyle. To Margarett my dozhter a quy. To my yongyst chylde. To my other fower dozhters. I bequethe the copy of my howse the space of xv yeres to my wyffe and she to fens yt and kepe yt tenanteable, and yf she mary here after she to have half the howse and halfe the grond with Adlerde my son in hyr wydowe hode, or elles the hole to Adlerd my son and yf owght come at hym yt to remene to all my chyldren that lyves after hym, and I wyll that a yere day be kepte in the chappell amonges my neybors. The resedewe of my goodes I gyffe to my wyffe, whome I make my executryx, she to dyspose them to the pleasure of God and salvacyon of my sawle. Wyttenes thereof, Richerd Blysbery; John Mableson; and Richerd Mableson.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 October, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN PYNCHBEK [OF FREISTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 314.]

1530. I John Pynchbek, chaplyn, chauntry prest of Fercys chauntry in Freston, do make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche of *s^t* Jamys in Freston in the north hally before our Lady of Pety. To the sacrament of the principall alter in the same churche vs. To *s^t* Jamys vjd. To our Lady of Pety vjd. To *s^t* Sythe iiijd. To *s^t* Thomas lyght ijd. To the lyght in our Lady qwere vjd. To *s^t* Catheryne with other saintes standyng in the same table a pownd and di' of wax. To the warkes of our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To our Lady of Grace vjd. To the church warke xiijs. iiijd. To Roger Pynchbek to hys exhibicion iiijl. To Margaret Pynchbek doughter of John Pynchbek a basyn and ury of lattyn, a charger of powder, [etc.]. To Margaret Jakson my goddoughter xiijs. iiijd. To Isabell Dawson xiijs. iiijd. To Richerd Pynchbek of Benyngton I do forgyff all the

money that he dothe owe me. To hys sonne and hys doughtter xxs. To George Pynchbek of Butterwyk and hys chylder xxs. I do forgyff Edmunde Pynchbek all that he dothe owe me, and I bequeath hym xxs. To William Pynchbek sonne of John Pynchbek xls. To Thomas Pynchbek brother of the sayd William xls. To William Croslay wyff and hys chylder xs. To Margaret Blaykster to by her kyrchyffes with xs. To Robert and Thomas the sonnys of William Croslay ij acres of land callyd Shorte Growyff aftyr they cum to laufull age, that is to say xxij yeres. And yff so be that ether of them dye within age the other to be hys heyr, and yff so be that they bothe dye withoutt heyres of ther bodys the forsayd lande [*folio 314d*] to remayn to Richerde and William the sonnys of the forsayd William Croslay. To lx housys wher most nede is xxs. at the day of my buryall within thys parysh. Item at my vij day xs., and at my xxxth day xs., to be gyffyn to the same housys. Item dewryng the space of vj yeres yerly at my obbyt day xxs. to the forsayd housys. I gyff my house lying in Cathorp callyd sumtyme Bothomsylle house with iiiij acres of pasture thereto belongyng to the priory of Freston dedicat in the honor of God and st Jamys, and they to kepe my yerly obbyt for the space of fowre skore and xix yeres yff the law will suffre it, and yff so be that they can purchas it mortemayn in the meyn tyme they to have it for ever. And yff not the house and lande to remayn to the next of my blode. Also I will that my house callyd Crawe house be solde at the disposicion of my executors and disposyd for my soule. And yff so be the prior will by it he to have it before an other. All my landes not gyffyn I gyff to John Pynchbek excepte on acre and di' lying in Crowse felde wich I will be solde be my executors and disposyd for my soule. And yff that William Croslay will by it he to have lesse in price by xld. then an other. To Richerd Pynchbek sonne of John Pynchbek iij stong lying in Scrafllet to hym and to hys heyres. I will that my executors do fynde a preste to syng for me ij yeres immediatly aftyr my dethe, he to have yerly for hys stipend xl. vjs. viijd., and he to syng in the parysh churche of Freston. To m^r John Lytilbery xxs., whome I make supervisor. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John Pynchbek son of John Pynchbek and Peter Blaykster, whome I make my executors, and to the forsayd Peter Blaykster for hys payns xxs. Wytnes, m^r Xp'ofor Tamworthe; sir Jamys Foster; Alexander Thomson; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 7 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. TEMPER [OF ANDERBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 379d.]

8 March, 1530-1. I William Temper of Anderby ordens and makes my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of Anderby. To John my sonne an noxe, a meyr, and a burlyng qwe. To Walter my sone, a burlyng qwe, [etc.]. To Richerd Temper my sonne. To Agnes, Isabell, and Jenet my doughters. To every of my doughters vjd. ayenst ester, [etc.]. To Thomas my sone. I make John Temper and Walter my sonnys my truw executors. Wytnes, sir John Drax.

Proved at Parteney, 21 November, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN COKSON [OF DONINGTON ON BAIN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 317.]

1530. I John Cockson of Donyngton, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Androy of Donyngton with my mortuary after the forme of the lawe. To the high alter for forgottyn tithys viijd. To the same churche ij quarters of barly. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To Thomas Petson wyff on pare of geat beades, one blew sylke gyrdell, with a corse, and on brasse potte, [etc.]. To William Cooke of Thedylthorp. To Jenet Petson. To sir William Smyth the parson of Donyngton ij quarters of barly to pray for my soule and for the soulys of my good frendes. To John Cokson my sone my wayn with thynges that longes therto, [etc.]. To Robert Petson. To John Cokson my sonne Obrays housys with all ther appurtenaunces both in felde and in towne. To Alice Cokson my doughter one house callyd Hopkynson with the appurtenaunce. To John Cokson my sone one toftested callyd Bylsby lande and halffe a oxgang of land and the medoy longyng therto. Also yff Alice Cokson my doughter dye withoutt issue of her body laufully begotten, the wch God forbyd, I will that the sayd landes shall remane to John Cokson my sonne and to hys heyres. And lykewyse yff he dye the fyrt withoutt issue they shall remayn to the forsayd Alice. And yff it fortune them bothe dye withoutt issue then the sayd landes shall remayn unto Alice Petson and to her heyres. To John Cokson my sonne my copy of my house that I dwell in a take of the kynges. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth to John Cokson and Alice Cokson my chyldren to pay my dettes and dispose for the helthe of my soule as they shall thynke the best, whome I make executors; and Richerd Kyrke to be supervisor, and he for to have for hys labor xxid. Wytnes wheroff, sir William Smyth parson; Robert Kelde; John Warde; Thomas Dawlyn; Robert Derlove; Henry Baldok; with other.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 10 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN STYLL [OF MARSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 356d.]

12 March, 1530-1. I John Styll of Marston make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of our Lady of Marston. I will that my goodes be devydyd in thre partes, of the wch I bequeth to Agnes my wyff one parte, and a nother parte to my chylder equally to be devydyd emonges them, and the thyrde parte I will be disposyd for my soule in this maner—to our Lady warkes of Lincoln viijd., to the church of Marston xvjd., to the upholdyng of the Trinite chapell of Marston viijd., to my gostly father xijd. The resydue of my sayd thyrde parte I will be disposyd for my soule at the discrecion of Agnes my wyff and Thomas my sonne, whome I make my executors. Thes wytnes, sir Thomas Gravys; Thomas Aiston; Richerd Light; with other.

Proved before P., at Ancaster, 5 May, 1531. Administration granted to Agnes the relict, power being reserved to grant to Thomas the son when he shall come to lawful age.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD KYNG [OF TYDD ST MARY].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 331.]

13 March, 1530-1. I Rychard Kyng of Tydd saynt Mary ordene and make thys my last wyll. My body to be buryed in the churche yard, and my mortuary after the custom of the towne. To the hye auiter for tythes forgotten xd. To the churche warke of Tydd viijd. To our Lady lyzhte iiijd. To saynt John Bapstyst iiijd. To the crucyfxe lyzhte iiijd. To saynt Thomas lyzhte iiijd. To the Trynety lyzhte iiijd. To every lyzhte in the sayd churche jd. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To the infantes withowte the walles iiijd.

Thys ys the last wyll of me Ric' Kyng. I wyll that Thomas Symson of Tyd aforesayd have my howse and iij acres of land lyng in Tyd for xiiijl., be yt more or lasse, after the decesse of Elyn my wyffe, and I wyll that the sayd Elyn kepe the sayd howsyng in reparacion. To Elyn Ward of the said money xxs.; to Margarett Warde of the said money xxs.; to Elezabeth Ward xxs.; and the sayd Elyn, Margarette, and Elezabete to have the said money at the age of xvij yeris, after the decesse of Elen my wyffe; and yff the sayd Elen be then on lyve I wyll the sayd money be payd withyn a yere after her dede day. I wyll yff any of the sayd Elen, Margerett, Elyzabeth aforesayd do dye withoute eres of there bodys then I wyll yche of them be others eyres, and yff the all decesse withoute eyrys then I wyll the other iij chyldryng of John Wardes, Johan, Eme, and Mawde have the sayd money and yche of them to be other eyrys. I wyll that there be songe in the churche of Tydd for my sawle and my benefactors sawlyes xxs. I wyll that Elen Kyng the yonger have xxs. of my movable goodes, yff hyt may be sparyd, or elles to be payd of the howse money. To Edward Symson my servant xxs. of thys condycyon that he soylly a quetance or elles nott. I wyll that Thomas Symson have iijl. remaynyng in hys handes to pay to Johanne Warde my doȝhter to helpe and soker hyr and hyr chyldren as she haythe nede of hytt to by them clothes, [etc.]. To John Warde. The resydewe of all my howse money I wyll that Elen my wyffe make hyr wyll of hytt, and I ordene her executryx. Thes beyng wyttnesse, sir Richard Fyscher; William Tysdale; Robart Lesse; John Togowde; and Robart Towghte; with other moo.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 10 April [no year given].

THE TESTAMENT OF RYCHERD PARYSH [OF HOGSTHORPE].
 [L.C.C. 1520-31, f. 321d.]

1530. I Richerd Parysh of Hoggesthorp, seke of body, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed within the church of our blesyyd Lady of Hoggesthorp, and that thynge that the lawe will require to be my mortuary. [folio 322] To the reparacion of the pyx xijd. To our Lady in the high qwere of Hoggesthorp vjd. To our Lady in the sowth qwere of Hoggestrop vjd. To our Lady of Pety of Hoggestrop vjd. To the Trinite of Hoggestrop vjd. To the bellys of Hoggestrop vjs. viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To our Lady of Walsyngham vjd. To st Leonerde chapell of Munby iiijd. To the rode of Hoggesthorp xijd. To Walter my sonne my best wayn, my horse mylne, [etc.], and hys mother to occupy the sayd mylne to the tyme

that he cum to the space of xx^{ty} yeres of age. To Walter my sone xls. and a bed that is to say a matterys, a coverlyd, a pare of schetes, and a peloy. I gyff the indenturys of my house to Water my sonne aftyr the decease of me dewryng the terme of my yerys when he cumyth to the age of xxj^{ty} yeres. To Jenet my doughtter xls. To Alice my doughtter. To Isabell my doughter xls. To Helene my doughter xls., [etc.]. Also I will that every chon of my iiiij doughtters have a bed, that is to say a matterys, a coverlyd, a pare of schetes, and a pilloy. Yff it fortune that anny of them departe thys worlde vnder laufull age I will that ther awn good bryng them to the grounde, and ich on to be a nother heyr. And yff it fortune so that all departe thys worlde when they be brought to the grounde that at dothe remane of their goodes I will that a prest do syng for ther soulys and for all ther good frendes soulys and for a crysten soulys. To every god barne that I have ijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to the bryngyng up of my chylder, and her I make my executers John Laceby and Adryan Blades, and ether of them to have for ther labors iijs. iiijd. In wytnes therof, sir Henry Goodwyn; John Jocab; Richerd Webster; with other.

Proved before P., at Tottyll, 13 March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WAYRE [OF WEST ASHBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 299.]

13 March, 1530-1. I John Wayr of Ashby nygh Horncastr' makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerd of the church of All Halloys of Ashby, with that thyng that the law requiryth in the name of my mortuary. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln xijd. To the high alter of Ashby for forgottyn tithys ijs. To a prest to syng a trentall of messys in the church off Ashby for my soule and all crysten soulys xs. To Robert Ware my father. To John Wode. To Robert Ware and William Ware my brothers. To Richerd Boner. To Robert Clerke of Asterby. To master Henry Parker xijd. To Henry Paynter viijd. To our Lady frerrys and to the frerrys at the Grese foote at Lincoln ether of ther housys iiijd. To every one of my godchylder iiijd. I will that my executrix do dispose for the helthe of my soule att my buryall iijs. iiijd., and at my vijth day iijs. iiijd., and at my xxx^{ty} day iijs. iiijd., and at my yereday other iijs. iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alice my wyff, whome I make my executrix. Thes beyng wytnes, Robert Wayre; Thomas Symkynson; Henry Paynter; and John Woode of Asby; with other moy. Gyvyn at Ashby the day and yere abovesayd.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 8 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. GYFFE [OF LEGBOURNE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 387d.]

1530. I Thomas Gyffe of Legborne makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryd in the churche of Leggborne of Allhalows. To the hy awter in Legborne churche viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln viijd. To the paresche churche warke of Legborne vjs. viijd. To Callstrope churche warke vjs. viijd. To Alington churche warke xijd. To the couentt of Legburne abbay to pray for me and all crysten sowlls

ijs. viijd. To a prest to syng for thiē helthe of my sole on quarter wages xxvs. To sir Henry Stonys. To Barnard my sone. To Ancellme my sone. To Esabell my dowghter. To Jonne my dowghter. To Agnes my dowter. To Eline my dowghter. To Margret my wyfe and Barnard my sone all my landes in Hallyngton, and after the dycesse of Margret my wyffe the landes to remayne to Barnard my sone and his herys of his body. To the said Barnard my sone ij acre medow lyyng in Seygmare in Legborne, to him and to his herys, payyng yerely the valew of hyt to Ancellme my sone duryng his lyffe, and yf so be the said Barnard dycesse withoutt suchē ysshew, then I will that all the landes in Hallyngton and Legborne remayne to Ancellme my sone and to the herys of his body. The resedew of my goodes I gyffe to Margrett my wyffe, the wiche Margret I orden with Barnard and Ancellme my sonys to be my executrys, and Ancelme Neyffe to be supervisor, and he to have for his labur ijs. iiijd. Thes men beyng witnese, sir Henry Stonys curat of the same towne; sir John Scupholme; Ancellme Nayffe.

Proved before P., at Lowth, 14 March, 1530-1.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT HUMBERSTON [OF BRANSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 362.]

14 March, 1530-1. I Robert Humbreston makes my last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of All Saintes of Braunceton. To the high alter of All Sayntes of Braunceton for all forgottyn tithys xijd. To our Lady warkes at Lincoln vjd. To every order of frerys at Lincoln on stryke of barly. To the churche of All Saintes of Braunceton on quarter of barly. To the churche of saint John of Whashyngburgh viijd. To the heremite of our lady chapell of Braunceton iiijd. To John Humberston and Robert Humberston my sonnes. To Alice, Margaret, and Isabell my daughters. To John Russyll. To Agnes Sleght. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth to Emot my wyff, to John Humberston and Robert Humberston my sonnys, for to dispose it for the helthe of my soule as they thynke it best, and I make them my executors. Thes wytnes, John Mason; Hamund Barker; and John Mayer; cum multis alius.

Proved before P., at Braunceton, 19 April, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. DADE [OF NORTH SOMERCOTES].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 303.]

16 March, 1530-1. I William Dadde of Somercotes makes my will. I gyff and wyt my soule to God, [etc.]. My body to be buried in the kyrke yerde of our Lady of Northsomercotes, payng my mortuary as the lawe requirys. To our mother kyrke of Lincoln. To our Lady warke iiijd. To the high altare of North Somercotes for tentes forgottyn iiijd. To the bellys of the same kyrke iiijd. I will that Jenet my wyff have yerly payd of my house and my landes lying in North Somercotes duryng her lyff vjs. viijd. I witt to the sayd Jenet all my housholde stuff within my house excepte a cupborde, a red arke, a bynkborde, and a dysheborde, they to remane to my sonnys. I witt to Robert [folio 303d.] my sonne my syluer whystell, [etc.]. To Thomas my sonne my chamlet cote and my best dooblet. To Margaret the doughter of Thomas Dadde ij rynges

of syluer gyltyd. To Richard Dadde my blew gawbardyn. To hys wyff a gyrdyll havyng a pendent and a bokyll and vj sylver barrys at the same gyrdell, she to have the same gyrdyll to the tyme that Alice her daughter cum to lefull age, and then the sayd Alice to have it. To Alice Scotte my daughter a pare of awmber beades and a broche of sylver. To Eden Hornsay my daughter a pare of beades of awmber and a broche of sylver. To John Scotte my violet jaket. To Jenkyn Hornsay a heryng net with a rope and flotes. To Robert Scotte. To Jenet Drowry my servant. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Richerde Dadde my sonne and to John Scotte, whome I make my executors, they to dispose for the helth of my soule as shall be thought expedient to the pleas' of God in tyme to cum. Thes wytnes, Walter Rasyn; John Rasyn; Robert Hornsay; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Louthe, 12 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD WARGANE [OF BARROW].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 327.]

1530. I Richerd Wargane of Barrow, seke of body, makes my testament. My body to be buryd in the churche of our Lady in Barrow. To our Lady of Lincoln warkes iiijd., and to the high alter iiijd. To [folio 327d.] my mother xxss., and to my syster Alyson xs. The rest of my goodes I bequeth to Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executrix, to dispose for my soule helth. In wytnes, sir Jamys Appleyerde; and Bennet Tenetlay; and William Person.

Proved before P., at Caistor, 16 March, 1530-1, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT BROWN [OF WELBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 354d.]

17 March, 1530-1. I Robert Browne, beyng seke of body, make my will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of All Halloys in Welby. To the high alter of Welby viijd. To the gyde of st Robert of Knavesborow [sic] iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln warke vjd. To the frerys of Grantham vjd. To sir Stevyn xs. to syng a trentall for [folio 355] me and all crysten soulys. To John my sone. To Agnes my sonnys wyff. To Margaret hys eldest daughter. To William hys sonne. To Isabell hys daughter. To sir William Moyn. To William Newcom. To Helene Alynwirth. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Margery my wyff to bring me to the grounde, [etc.], whom I make my executor. Thes beyng wytnesses, sir William Mone parson of Welby; sir Stevyn Johnson; Robert Alynwirth; George Weston; Thomas Swanne; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Ancastr', 5 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. PROCTOR [OF LEGESBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 328d.]

17 March, 1530-1. I Thomas Proctor, dwellyng within the parysh of Legesby, makes thys my last will and testament, [etc.]. My body to be buryd in the churchyerde of Legesby. To the high alter of Legesby church for tithys negligently forgottyn iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. To the church of Legesby xxd. To the church of Normanby

xxd. To the church of Claxby xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. I wyll that ther be disposyd to a honeste preste for the helth of my soule xs. for on trentall. To my wyff on stag wich is with owt in the feldes, [etc.]. To Robert my eldest sone. To Thomas my sonne. To Jenet my daughter. To Alice my daughter ij of the best stotte calvys, [etc.]. To John my brother. [folio 329] To Jenet and Alan my servantes. To every godchylde that I have iiijd. To Gregory Tenaunt. To the iiij orders of frerys in Lincoln every house iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I wyll that my wyff and Robert my eldest sonne have, whome I make my executors. I do orden supervisors, Richerd Pykyryng and William Appay, and I wyll that ether of them have iijs. iiijd.

Proved before P., at Market Rasyn, 17 [sic] March, 1530-1, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BARTON [OF FULBECK].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 355.]

19 March, 1530-1. I John Barton of Fulbek makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the churchyerde of st Nicholes in Fulbek. I gyff my mortuary aftyr the custom of the countr. To the church of Fulbek ijs. To the high alter viijd. To the church of Ledenham xijd. To the church of Cathorpe xijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln viijd. To the house of frerys of our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the house of gray frerys in Lincoln xijd. To the house of frerys of st Peter Myllen xijd. To the house of Augustyn frerys in Lincoln xijd. I will that all my goodes be partyd in iij partes, the fyrist parte I will have myselffe, the secund parte I gyff my wyff, the thyrde parte I gyff to William Barton my sonne and Alice Barton my daughter, excepte all that is in my house that longys to huswyffry, and that I gyff to my wyff Alice. To Elizabeth my daughter one cowe, [etc.], and the sayd Elizabeth to be delyveryd to her mother Catheryne Austlen. To st John gylde in Fulbek one bushyll of malte. I make Alice my wyff my executrix. Also I make m^r William Dysney and my father William Barton my supervisors. I will that John of Berton and William Murcrofte se that my ij chylder William and Alice have ther [folio 355d.] goodes as it is wrytten afore. I will yff the sayd William of Berton fortune to dy afore the yeres of dyscrestion, then I will that hys syster my daughter Alice have all hys parte of goodes. Yf my daughter Alice dye afore the yeres of discretion then I will that her brother William my sonne have all her parte of goodes. Yff my sone William and my daughter Alice bothe dy afore the yeres of discretion then I will that my mother Alice Barton have halffe ther goodes, and the other halffe to be gyffyn for the soules of ther father John Barton and ther soulys. I will my wyff Alice have the kepyng of the sayd William and Alice and ther goodes as long as she be unmaryed. And aftyr that she take to be maryed then the goodes of the sayd chylder to be partyd be iiij men, indifferent, and then whosoever weddes ther mother he shall be bounde in wrytyng to m^r William Dysney, William Barton, John Kyrton, and William Morcrofte that the chylder, William Barton and Alice Barton shall have ther goodes at suche tyme as m^r Will'm Dysney, Will'm Berton, John Kyrton and Will'm Murcrofte thynkes most proffyt to the chylder.

Witnes herof, my curat Xp'ofor Symson ; mr William Dysney ; Gylys Alyst ; and Robert Parker ; and Nicholes Brande ; and many moy.

Proved before P., at Ancastr', 5 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS WELLYS [OF WESTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 241.]

21 March, 1530-1. I Thomas Wellys of Weston make my testament. My body to be buried in the churche yerde of the blessyd virgyn st Mary in Weston. To the high altare in Weston ijd. To the churche warke of Weston jd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln ijd. To pore chyldren at st Catheryns jd. I will my place in Cowbyt be solde be my executor, and the sylver theroff cumyng. I will John Wellys my fader have xxs. that I boroyd of hym, and the resydue of the sylver that remanys I will Thomas my sonne have it when he cumys to the age of xvij yeres, and the sayd sylver to be in the governaunce of Simon Wellys my brother unto then. Yff Thomas my sonne decease within the age of xvij yeres, then I will it remayn to William my sonne when he cumys to xvij yeres, to hym and hys heyres of hys body. [Remainder] to the nexte of my blode. To Thomas my sonne on cowcher, on brasse potte that was Isabell Wolse, [etc.]. [folio 241d]. I will my nettys be evynly devydyd betwene my wyff and Simon Wellys my brother. To Johane my wyff on meyr, iij kye, and iiiij burnynges, [etc.], also one pece of copy lande in Weston and Fendyke, to her to gyff and sell. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to the disposicion of Simon Wellys, wch I make my executor. Thes beyng wytnes, Walter Thomson ; Thomas Browne ; and Thomas Wolse ; and many moy.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 23 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT BOCHER [OF WITHAM ON THE HILL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 366d.]

1530 A.D. I Robert Bocher of Wytham makes thys my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the parysh church off Wytham, and for my mortuary as the lawe askes. I will that my goodes be devydyd into thre partes my dettes beyng payd, one parte for my selffe to be disposyd for the helth of my soule, the secund parte to Isabell Bocher my wyff, the thyrde parte to be devydyd emonges my chylder. To the high altare of the parysh church of Wytham for tithynges and offerynges necgligently forgottyn iiijd. To the warkes of our Lady of Lincoln ijs. To the gyldes of Wytham too strykes barly. To a prest to say v messys at *Scala celi* for me and my frendes xxd. The resydw of my sayd parte unbequethyd I gyff to Isabell Bocher, my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose them for the helth and salvacion off my soule. Thes beryng wytnes, sir John Jameson, the vicar ; William Smyth ; with other.

Proved before P., at Irnham, 19 October, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. NOD [OF LUTTON IN SUTTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 244d.]

25 March, 1531. I William Nod of Lutton in Sutton in Holland makes my testament and last will. My body to be buried within the

church of saynt Nicholes in Lutton. To our Lady warkes of our mother churche of Lincoln iiijd. To the orphanys of st Catheryns withoutt the wallys of Lincoln ijd. To the highe altare of st Nicholes in Lutton for tithes forgottyn xijd. To st Nicholes light in the same churche iiijd. To st John light in the same churche iiijd. To the Trinite light in the same churche a pownd wax. To our Lady of grace light in the same churche iiijd. To our Lady of Piety light in the same church iiijd. To st Peter light in the same church ijd. To st Jamys light ther jd. To st Catheryne lyght ther ijd. To every other small light in the same churche jd. To Robert Nodde my sonne all the goodes and stuff perteynyng to a salte cote that I have within the salte cote whch I have in ferme. I bequeth and forgyff to the sayd Robert Nod all suche sommrys of money and other dettes that he owyth me thys present day and xxs. To William Nod my sonne xxvijs. vijjd. beyng in the handes of Thomas [folio 245] Spenser of Lutton. To Thomas Nod my sonne. To Elizabeth my doughtter. To Denys my servant. To every oon of Robert Nodde chylder. To Alice Browne. To Richerd Water. To Robert Walter hys brother. To my god doughter¹ of Thomas Wyles. To our Lady gylde of Boston xs. To the Augustyn frerys of Boston xs., and they to say a trentall for my soule and all crysten soulys. To the Whyte frerys of Cambrige xs. for a lyke trentall. To the Gray frerys of Lynne xs. for lyke trentall. To Beatrix my wyff all my stuff and implementes of housholde both within the house and without, also all my corne now growyng on the lande and heraftyr to be sowne thys yere, so that she pay all the rent to the lordes for the same lande. To Beatrix my wyff the house that I dwell in with iiiij acres of lande be it more or lesse dewryng her wydhoode, and yff it fortune that she do mary then I wyll that she shall have the possession off the sayd messe and iiiij acres of lande to suche tyme as Thomas my sonne come to the full age of xxty yeres, and the sayd Thomas to have the sayd messe and iiiij acres of lande to hym and hys heyres of hys body; [remainder] to Robert my sone and to the heyres of hys body upon condicione that he or hys sayd heyres do pay or cause to be payd to Elizabeth my doughtter xls. [folio 245d.]; [remainder] to William my sonne and to the heyres of hys body; [remainder] to be solde by the handes off the churche wardens of st Nicholes of Lutton for that tyme beyng and iiiij of the most honest men of the same parysh, and they to dispose the money receyvyd in reparacions of the sayd churche and other dedes of charyte for the helthe of my soule and all my good frendes soulys as they shall thynke best to be done. To Elizabeth my doughtter one acre of lande lying in Colpyt to her her heyres and assygnes for ever, upon condicione that yff Thomas my sonne wyll pay or cause to be payd to her xls., that is to say the day of her mariage xiijs. iiijd.; and so other ij yeres nexte aftyr her mariage xiijs. iiijd., then I will the sayd Thomas shall have the sayd acre of lande to hym hys heyres and assygnes for ever. To Robert Nod my sonne one acre and thre roodes of lande lying in Grenewyke to hym hys heyres and assygnes for ever. Yff it fortune the sayd Beatrix my wyff to mary, that immediatly aftyr she be marayed the forsayd mese and iiiij acres of land remayn to Thomas my sone and to the heyres of hys body; [remainder] to Robert my sone and to the heyres of hys body; and the sayd Beatrix to have the dettes

¹ the daughter has probably been omitted.

wich William Browne owyth me, [etc.]. To Thomas my sonne at the age of xvij yeres. I will that Robert my sonne and William Browne have the custody of Thomas parte and hys legaces to suche tyme as he comme to the full age of xx^{ty} yeres. I will that Beatrix my wyff have the custody of vj kyne duryng her lyff yff she do not mary for the mauntenance of my yerly obbyt to be kepte yerly with placebo and dirige and messe of [folio 246] requiem the Tewesday nexte aftyr Palme Sonday, and I will ther be expendyd and distrybutyd yerly the day of the sayd obbyt the sommrys of money her aftyr foloyng, that is to say, in oblacions ijd., and to the parysh preste vd., to every preste of the parysh ijd., to the parysh clerke for hys dirige and ryngyng vjd., to the belman jd., to the sexten ijd., to every man that shall syng a lessyn jd., to every chyld beyng lernyd in the parysh ob', to xl^{ty} pore people iijs. iiijd. I wyll ther be a stryke of whete bakyd in bred and halffe a dosyn ale provydyd for to cause the qwere and other honest men in the parysh to drynke. And yff the sayd Beatrice my wyff do mary then I wyll the sayd vj kyne be in the custody and kepyng of Robert my sone and William Browne dewryng ther lyffes and the longer lyffer of them, and they with the proffyttes commyng yerly to cause my sayd obbyt to be kept the day before rehersyd, and to dispose and distrybute the same day suche sommrys off money as I before have appoynthyd. And aftyr the decease of the sayd Robert Nod and William Browne I will the sayd vj kyne, or ellis other vj of so good valew as they now be off, be delyveryd by the sayd Robert Nodde or William Browne or the survivor of them to the church wardons of Lutton that tyme beyng and they to have the sayd vj kyne to them and ther successors upon condicion that they and ther successors shall for evermore kepe my sayd yerely obbyt the Tewesday nexte aftyr Palmesunday as I have before rehersyd and distributyd. And I will that the churche wardens shall have yerly for ther labors to se the sommrys of money trewly disposyd ether of them iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I put them to the disposicion of Beatrix my wyff and Robert Nod my sone, whome I make my executors, and William Browne to be supervisor, and to have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, sir Jamys Jackson prest ; Thomas Blanke ; John Water ; with diverse other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 9 June, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. KECHYN [OF LITTLE PONTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 365d.]

27 March, 1531. I Willian Kechyn of Paunton the lesse makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churchyerde of st Michel in Paunton. To the high altare and to my curet to be prayd for xijd. To our Lady warke off Lincoln iiijd. To the church of Paunton xvjd. To Agnes and Alice my doughters. To Elizabeth Gervys. The resydew of my goodes I will they be devydyd in thre partes, the fyrist parte to be disposyd for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys, the secund parte to Margaret my wyff, the thyrde parte to be devydyd emong my [folio 366] chyldren. Yff it happen the sayd Margaret to mary agayn then I will that she delyver the sayd thyrde parte of my goodes to Nicholes Gervys or ellis fynde sewrte that it shall be delyveryd to my chyldren when they cum to lefull age. I make the sayd Margaret my wyff my executrix, and Nicholes Gervys my supervisor, and he to

have for hys labor my gray meyr. Thes wytnesses, sir Robert Hornby parson; Roland Atkynson; Geoffrey Atkynson; Hugh Osberner; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 17 October, 1531.

ADAM WILKINSON [ALIAS DRAPER OF BELTON IN AXHOLME].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 344.]

27 March, 1531. I Adam Wilkinson otherwayse named Adam Draper, hole of mynd and seeke in bodye, make my will and testament. My bodye to be beryed in the churchyeard of Allhallowes of Belton. I bequeathe one cowe and one calfe in the name of my mortuarie. To the hye alter of Belton xvjd. To our Ladye of Lincoln' xijd. To saynt Heugh of Lincoln' iiijd. To the roode light in Belton church and to st Safyor light, to our Lady of Pittie light, to our Ladye of Grace light, to st John light, and to the Supuler light to euerye one of thes ijd. [page 345]. To the church of Belton one busshell of barlye. To John Talane one black cowe and a calfe. To Elizabeth Mylnes one ewe and one lambe. To William Whele-Wright one ewe hogg. To John Boswell' gentyllman one bay geldinge. To William my sonne ij ewes and ij lambes. I make Izabell my wyfe my full executrix. In wittnes hereof, sir Xp'ofer Gradett prest; George Rypwithe; and Adam Brocke; wth other.

Proved at Owston, 16 June, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. BURNE [OF NUN ORMSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 304.]

28 March, 1531. I Thomas Burne of Nunormesby, husbandman, make thys testament and last will. My body to be buried within the church yerde of st Helene of Nunormesby. To the high altare for my tithys and oblacions negligently forgottyn and with holden xijd. To the reparacions of the cathedrall church of our blessyd Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the parysh church of Southelkyngton halff a quarter of barly. To the parysh churche of st Helene of Ormesby aforesayd halff a quarter off barly. To Arthur Oyler and Thomas Hall my godsons. To John Burne my brother. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alice my wyff and Elizabeth my daughter, whome I make my executrices to dispose them as they shall thynke most expedient to the pleas' of God, [etc.]. I will that William Buttifaunt and John Burnet be supervisors, and gyff to ether of them ijs. iiijd. Thes wytnesses, Arthur Ormesby gent'; Richerd Rog'; and John Browne; with many other.

Proved before P., at Louth, 12 May, 1531. Administration granted to Alice the relict, reserving power to grant to Elizabeth the daughter when she shall come to lawful age.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. BARTON [OF FULBECK].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 304d.]

29 March, 1531. I William Barton of Fulbek, husbandman, seke in body, makes my testament. My body to be buried in the churche

verde of st Nicholes in Fulbek. To the high altare of Fulbeke for forgotten tithys iijs. iiijd. To the reparacion of the bellys of Fulbek vjs. viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the frerys off Grantham xijd. To every one of my godchylde a schepe or xvjd. To the church off Fulbek xls. To the churche of Ledenham xxs. To the church of Welborne vs. To the church of Cathorp iijs. iiijd. I will ther be delte at my buryall vjl. xiijs. iiijd. To my curate ijs. I bequeath xl. to a preste to syng for me a yere. To William my sonne all my housys and landes within the parysh of Fulbek with the appurtenances to hym and to hys heyres of hys body, wiche was in the handes off John my sone late departyd; and yff the sayd William my sonne dy withoutt suche heyres I will the sayd housys, [etc.], be solde be my executors and be the councell of my supervisor and to be disposyd for my soule my wyff soule and all my good frendes soulys. To Alice my wyff all my householde stuff to dispose it emong my chyldren as she thynkes best. I will that my executors have xlth marke in redy money to performe thys my last will, and pay my legacies and to dispose for the helthe of my soule, [etc.]. The resydew of my goodes I will be devydyd in thre partes, wheroft I will my wyff have one parte, and my chylder another parte, and my executors the thyrd parte to dispose for the helth of my soule with the councell of my supervisor. I make Alice my wyff and William my sone and m^r William Dysney gentylman my executores. To the [folio 305] same m^r William Dysney for hys labor iijs. iiijd. [etc.]. I make Thomas Clerke off Ledenham supervisor and I bequeath to hym for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Thes beyng witnesse, sir Brian Warde curat'; John Saynton; and Thomas Warde; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Ancastr', 5 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT CHAMBER [OF PICKWORTH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 366d.]

29 March, 1531. I Robert Chamber off Pykworth next Folkyngham makes my testament. My body to be buryd in the church yerde of st Andrew of Pykworth. To the high altare of st Androy of Pykforth [folio 367] in dyschargyng of my conscience anenst God for tithys forgottyn iijs. iiijd. To our Lady hegh altare of Lincoln ijd. To the pore people of Pykforth parych vjs. viijd., that to be dysposyd by the handes of my executors at iiiij tymys in the yere nexte insuyng my funerall day, at Ester xx., at Penthecost xx., att Allhalloy day xx., and at Crystenmes xx. To Richerd, John, and William my sonnes and Alice my doughter xls. apiece. To that chylde that is in my wyff wombe yff it fortune to cum to thys worlde and lyve xls. I will that every one of my sayd sonnys have ther stokkes at the age of xxth yeres and my doughter at the day of her maryage. Also yff that my wyff lyff aftyr me a quarter of a yere then I wyll my chyldren be inhibyt the halffe of ther partes, and then every chylde to have but xxs. and a cowe. To Thomas Hansarde of Pykworth ijs. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff to Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executrix, with John Bete of Lavyngton, and he to have for hys labore xs. These witnes, Thomas Pell chaplain of Pykworth; William Masard of the same; with others.

Proved before P., at Burne, 21 October, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM HOLME [OF RAND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 359.]

1 April, 1531. I William Holme of Rande, seke in body, make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed wythin the churche off Rande. To the high alter of Rande for tithys forgottyn one of my best kye. To the high alter of our Lady church of Lincoln xijd. To our Lady warkes of the churche of Lincoln xijd. To Robert Holme. To sir Rawff Holme prest xls. To the coveryng of the steple over the bellys of Rande xxxs. To the church of Rande one koy to fynde a light before our Lady in the north yle for evermore. To Catheryn Vyllessay. To Edward Holme, Thomas Holme, John Smyth, Rawff Smyth, Thomas Smyth, Jane Smyth. The resydue of my goodes to Catheryne Holme my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose for my soule helthe. Thes wytnes then present, sir Edwarde Fulnethby the parson of Rande; William Lery; Robert Holme; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Wragby, 24 April, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. DYKSON [OF SOUTH THORESBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 302d.]

2 April, 1531. I Thomas Dykson of Thoresby makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the churchyerde of Thoresby, with my mortuary that the lawe will. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the high altare in Thoresby churche viijd. To the church warke of Calsby iiijd. To the church warke of Helloy iiijd. To John my sonne. To Agnes my doughter. The resydue of my goodes I put to the disposicion of Margaret my wyff, whome I make my executrix, and sir John Hill parson supervisor. Thes wittnes, William Todde and Thomas Johnson with other.

Proved before P., at Grenefelde, 10 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JENYT MELL [OF FRISKNEY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 301.]

2 April, 1531. I Jenet Mell of Fryskeney makes my testament. My body to be buried in the church yerde of All Halloys of Fryskeney. To the warkes of our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To our Lady gylde off Fryskeney iiijd. To Corpus Xp'i gylde in the same churche iiijd. To the Roode gylde in the same churche vjd. To the church warkes of Fryskeney xxd. To the bellys iiijd. To the church warkes of Kele xxd. To the church warkes of Thorpe xxd. To our Lady of Mydylgate iiijd. To the fatherles chylder at st Catheryns iiijd. To Jane, Thomas, William, Elizabeth, and Isabell Wyotson. To Elizabeth Wyotson my doughter. To Isabell and Agnes Smyth. To Agnes Smyth Robert my sonne wyff. To every one of ther chylder. To Robert Trowtyng my godsun. To Jenet Mell my goddoughter. To William [folio 301d.] Smyth, Agnes Smyth, Elizabeth Wiotsen, Jane Wyotson. To sir Robert Westmellys preste. To sir John Wale preste. To Isabell Smyth my doughter one harnest gerdyll, [etc.]. To Elizabeth Wyotson my doughter my best beades with the juelles, [etc.]. To Agnes Smyth of Thorpe. To Agnes Smyth my goddoughter. To Elizabeth Wyotson my goddoughter. To Elizabeth my doughter. To Margaret Godfray. To Jenet Thyrbek.

To Laurence Wyotson. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth to Robert Smyth of Thorpe and Thomas Smyth of Fryskene my sonnys, whome I make my executors to dispose the sayd goodes for the helth of my soule by the councell of sir Robert Westmelles prest, whome I make supervisor. Thes beyng wytnes, sir John Wayle prest; Thomas Godfrey; Thomas Westmelles; with many other.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 10 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WARTER [OF KIRKBY ON BAIN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 299d.]

2 April, 1531. I John Warther [*sic*] of the parysh of Kyrkby Bayn, husbandman, makes my last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of our Lady at Kyrkby. To the high alter of Kyrkby for forgottyn and wytholdyn tithys xijd. To our Lady off Lincoln warkes viijd. V messys to be done at Boston at *Scala celi*. To the churchwarke of Kyrkby vs. To Robert Scherpe my godsone ijs. To a preste to do a trentall off messys for the helthe of my soule xs. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth to Margery my wyff, whome I make my executrix, with supervysyng off William Wymond, to dispose for the helthe of my soule as they thynke best. Thes wytnes, John Norssy; Richerde Wylamson; Richerd Dayste; and John Pollarde; wyth other moy.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 8 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. WENTERTON [OF BURGH LE MARSH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 301d.]

2 April, 1531. I Thomas Wenterton of Burgh make my will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Peter of Burgh. To the high altare for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the church warke vjs. viijd. To the reparacions of our Lady chapell ijs. iiijd. To the canons of Bollyngton xijd. To the nonnys of the same xijd. To Robert Rutter xxs., and to hys wyff vjs. viijd., and to William Rutter hys sone ijs. iiijd., and to John hys sone ijs. iiijd. To Agnes my syster ijs. iiijd., [etc]. To Alice my syster ijs. iiijd. To the blynde wenche that is with Robert Rutter v yerdes blankyt. To the iiij orders of frerrys of Boston xls., that is to every house xs.—to every prest of every house iiijd., and every novys ijd., the resydue therof be for the reparacions of the place as the priors of the placys thynkes best. I will that ijs. iiijd. be done in messys for my soule and all crysten soulys. I will that xxvjs. viijd. be done for me at my buryall day yff it may be gottyn of my dettes, or ellys as shortely as it may be gottyn. To Robert Mathewe bocher vjs. viijd. of thys condicion that he pay to Robert Rutter xxvjjs. viijd. off my buryall day or ellys within xxx^{tv} days aftyr, yf not he for to pay it when hys day commys hys hole dette to the sayd Robert Rutter. To John Rutter the elder vjs. viijd. To hys wyffe ijs. iiijd. To hys chylder ijs. iiijd. To Margaret Rutter ijs. iiijd. To Robert Magnus xxd. To hys wyff xxd. To Catheryne hys daughter ijs. iiijd. To sir John Pychell ijs. iiijd. To Xp'fer Wenterton xs. The resydue of my goodes I will that Robert Rutter gether them up at my days, who I make my executor, to fulfyll thys my last will and dispose them for the welthe of my soule by the mynde of sir John Pechyll who I make supervisor.

Wytnes, Robert Quadryng; Richerd Brig; John Berber; Robert Mathew; Robert Magnus; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 10 May, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT HOWET [OF SWALLOW].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 353.]

3 April, 1531. I Robert Howet of the parysh of Swallo makyth and ordnyth thys present for my full and last will. My body to be buried in the church of st Savior in the sayd Swallo. To our mother church off Lincoln xijd. To our Lady warkes ther xijd. To the sayd church of Swallo xiijs. iiijd. To the high alter in the sayd church xijd. To Margaret my daughter aftyr the decease of her mother xxs., [etc.]. To every one of my godchylde iiijd. To John Butler. To John Bell vs. To George my servant iiijd. To a prestre for a trentall xs. To the parson of the sayd towne for tithes and offerynges herbefore negligently forgotten vjs. viijd. For my sepultre vjs. viijd. The resydue of all my goodes I will my executors dispose for my soule, [etc.], and in performyng of the same I make Jenet my wyff and Richarde my sonne for my executors. In wytnes herof, sir Walter Curtes; Richerd Hyll; William Vrrey; John Lecka; Richerde Snydall; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 27 April, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF HENRY BRANDON [OF LONG BENNINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 355d.]

4 April, 1531. I Henry Brandon of Bennynhton makes my testament. My body to be buried in the churchyard of st Swithin. To the reparation of the church of the blessed Mary of Lincoln iiijd. To the high altar of Bennynhton iiijd. To the altar of the blessed Mary ijd. To the altar of st Thomas ijd. To the fenbrig iiijd. Item the cawsey iiijd. To the chapel of the blessed Mary iiijd. To the chapel of Claypole vjd. To William Brandon my son. To James Brandon. To Thomas Brandon. To Brigit my maid. The residue of my goods to Joan my wife and John Gammill, whom I make my executors, etc. Witnesses, Thomas Robertes junior; William Whytyng. Dated at Bennynhton as above.

Proved before P., at Ancaster, 5 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT HONNYNGTON [OF MOULTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 241d.]

4 April, 1531. I Robert Honnyngton of Multon, seke of body, makes my testament and my last will. My body to be buried within the churchyeerde of All Halloys in Multon. I bequeth in the name of my mortuary that the law will now require. To our Lady warke of Lincoln viijd. To st Catheryns without the wallys at Lincoln iiijd. To the high altare in Multon for tithys forgottyn [folio 242] xxd. To iiij commune lightes in Multon vjd., that is to say to every on of them ijd. To the Sconce light in Multon ijd. To the church warke of Multon ijs. To Margaret my wyff a cotage of freholde whch was sumtyme William Munforth; also a pasture that was Munforth, and fyve acres of landes that was Roger Westes, the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease I wyll that

they remayn to my sonne Simon and to hys heyres of hys body ; and yff he dy withoutt heyres of hys body then they shall remayn to Jane my daughter and to her heyres of her body. I wyll as sone as my sonne Simon hath heyres of hys body that he pay to my daughter Jane xxvjs. viijd. To my sone Simon iij acres of coppie holde lande in fee symple the wich I bought late of Thomas Hyll. To Margaret my wyff the croppre that now is sawne of the foresayd iij acres. I will that a trentall be done in the parysh churche of Multon for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys. The resydw of my goodes I gyff them to Margaret my wyff, whome I make my executrice to dispose for the helth of my soule and all crysten soulys. I wyll that Robert Nicoll be supervisor, and have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Thes men be the testes, sir Xp'ofe Rwyght ; Robert Angell ; Thomas Carter ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 23 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT EMUNDSON [OF THEDDLETHORPE
ST HELEN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 394.]

5 April, 1531. I Robert Emundson of the paryshe of st Helene of Thedilthorpe makyth thys my last will and testament. My body to have the sepulture in the churche yerde of st Helene above namyd. To the high altare iijs. iiijd. To the picture of our [folio 394d.] Lady standyng in our Lady qwere in the same churche a yowe and iiijd. To st Nicholes in the same churche iiijd. To the buyldynge of the steple ther ixs. vjd. To the warkes off our mother churche of Lincoln xjd. To the bellys in the paryshe churche off All Halloys of Thedylthorpe xxd. To the parysh churche off Mabilthorpe xjd. To the high altare in the parysh churche off Stane xjd. To the churche warkes of st Margaret off Wetherne vjs. viijd. To William my sonne vjl. xiijs. iiijd. I will that John Carter shall have the kepyng of him and of hys legacy to he cum to the age of mariage. To John my sun vjl. xiijs. iiijd. I will that George Emundson my father shall have the kepyng off him and of hys legacy unto he cum to the age of mariage. To Jenet my daughter vjl. xiijs. iiijd. and I will that Helene my wyff have the custody of her and of her legacy to she cum to the age of maryage. I will that yff William my sun dye or he cum to the forsayd age I will that John my sun shall have hys hole legacy when he cumyth to the age of mariage. I will that yff it fortune John my sun to dye or he cum to the sayd age I will that William my sun shall have hys hole legacy when he cumyth to the age of mariage. And yff they bothe dye or they cum to the forsayd age then I will that bothe ther legaces schall be done in good warkes of charite for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys at the mynde of my executor. I will that yff Jenet my doughtter dy or sche cum to the age of mariage then I will that William and John my ij sonnys shall have her legacy when they cum to the age off mariage. And yff all my sayd chylder dye or they cum to ther sayd age then I will that all ther legaces shall be done in good warkes of charite for my soule and all crysten soulys att the discrecion of my executores. [Provision in case Helen, the testator's wife, shall be with child]. [folio 395]. [Provision that the children's guardians shall find sufficient sureties]. To Helene my wyff xijl. vjs. viijd. to be payd in money or in catell whether sche will have, and all my housholde stuff as it standes,

[etc.]. To George Emundson my father. To my mother. To Richerde and William my brothers. To Alice, Jenet, and Margaret my sistres. To Margaret Carter wyff of John Carter. To John Carter my servant. I will that a preste schall be hyeryd to pray for my soule and all crysten soules the space of a yere, and to have v*l.* vjs. viij*d.* The resydue of my goodes I leffe in the handes of John Carter, John Whyte, Richerd Emundson, whom I make my executors that they may well and truly dispose all suche goodes as shall remayn of thys my last will parte to my pore frendes and in other good warkes of charite for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys, and sir Thomas Gylbe to be the supervisor. Thes ar the recorde of thys present will, sir Thomas Gylbe curat; Richerd Browne; John Rodayll; John Hammarton; William Hogeson; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Tottyll, 11 May, 1531.

RICHARD TERWHIT [OF GAINSBOROUGH].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 338.]

5 April, 1531. I Richerd Terwhitt of Gaynsbrough, hole of mynd and perfyte of remembraunce, maketh and ordeyneth this my testament and last will. My bodye to be buryed wth in the church of Allhallowes in Gaynsbrough. To the hye alter of Allhallowes iijs. iiijd. I will that therbe a solempne diryge wth masse at the day of my buryall, and vijs. to be delte to pore folke in bread and ayle the same daye. To Henry Tirwhite my sonne yf he be alyue xls. and to Henry Clayton my syster sonne xls., of the w^{ch} iiijl. ther ys in the handes of my syster Jenett Clayton of Cawood v marke. Item a mayre beinge at Dodington, the w^{ch} mayre I will that my said syster haue and she to paye the hole iiijl. to the two childer aforesaid, and yf it happen ether of them to departe out of this world I will that the hole iiijl. remayne to the longer lyuer of them, and yf so be that they bothe departe out of this world afore the said iiijl. be delyueryd to them, I will that the said iiijl. remayne to the handes of myne executors, and they to destribute and dispose yt to the health of my soule and all the sowles that I am bound to pray for. The residewe of my goodes not bequeathed I will that they be at the gouernanc of sir Richerd Harpam the parson of Springthrope, Roberte Maye, and John Nixson seruantes to my Lord Borowe, whome I make myne executors, that they shall dispose the goodes for the health of my sowle and all christian sowles, and they to haue xs. for ther labour. Wittnes herof, m^r Thomas Brough of Gaynsbrouge aforesaid; m^r doctor Topliffe vicar of the same; sir Simond Wallington capellanus of the same; John Marshall of the same; wth many mooe.

Proved at Owston, 16 June, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF SIMON PAULYN [OF WYBERTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 237.]

6 April, 1531. I Simon Paulyn of Wyberton make thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryed within the churche of st Leogerde in Wyberton. To our mother churche of Lincoln vjd. To the high altare in Wyberton church viij*d.* To the altare of st Catheryne [folio 237*d.*] there iiijd. To the altare of st Anne there viij*d.* To the altare of our Lady there iiijd. To Elizabeth my wyff thre stong lande

lying in Wyberton the terme of her lyff naturall, and aftyr her decease to Alice my daughter here heyres and assynges for ever. To the same Alice too pare of flaxen schetes, one of them with a blak lace of sylke, too pylls of the best, one bed hyngyng, one meateclothe of flaxyn, [etc.]. Yff the sayd Alice my daughter decease before sche cum at laufull age I will the sayd iij stong lande be equally devydyd emonges my brother William Leyff chyldren; and yff it fortune them all to decease before they cum at laufull age, I will the sayd iij stong lande be solde by the next of the kyn and the money therof recyvyd to be disposyd in dedes of charite for the helthe of my soule, my sayd wyff soule, and all crystyn soulys. To my brother William Leyff. To hys wyff, and to Adlarde Leyff ther sonne. To every one off my godchyldren. The resydue of my goodes I put them in the disposicion of Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executrix. I will William Leyff be supervisor. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Richerd Stevenson and sir John Orton prestes; Thomas Ball; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Swyneshed, 22 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. RYCARDSON OF ST CUTHBERT'S, [LINCOLN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 349d.]

7 April, 1531. I William Richardson of the paryshyng of st Cuthbert ordens and makes my will. My body to be buryed within the church of st Cuthbertes, and I gyff therfore vjs. viijd. To the high alter in the same churche xxjd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To Thomas Crysty my prentys a floyt, a graver, and a hatchet. I will that a trentall of messys be done for my soule the day of buryall, and I gyff therfore xs. The resydue of my goodes I will that they be praysyd and then to be devydyd in thre partes, one parte to Jenet my wyffe, the secunde parte to my chylder, the thyrde parte to be disposyd for the well off my soule and all crystyn soules. And yff that any of my chylder dye within age, the halffe of that parte shall remane to the other chylder and the other parte to be dysposed for our soulys and for all crystyn soulys. To sir William Moyses iijs. iiijd. to be good to Jenet my wyff, whome I make my executrix, and the aforesayd sir William Moyses to be supervisor. Wytnes herof, sir Thomas Crosfelde; Edward Crosfelde; Hugh Manser; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 22 April, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN LONGCASTRE [OF LINCOLN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 295d.]

8 April, 1531. I sir John Longcastre, preste, seke in body, makes my last mynde and testament. My body to be buryed within the churche of the Frerys Domynyckes within the cite of Lincoln, and the sayd frerys to have for my buryall xs. To the prior of the same frerys iijs. iiijd. To the convent of the same iijs. iiijd. I will ther be done of the day of my buryall a trentall off messes. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the churche of st Peters at Pley xiijd. To the other iij orders of frerys in Lincoln iche of them xxjd. I will that a preste do syng for my soule and all crystyn sollys the space of iij yeres, and he to have every yere for hys salary xl., and dayly to say placebo and dirige. I wyll that iij prestes bere me to the churche, and iche one of them to have for ther labor viijd.

I will that ther be viij quartern candyllys at my buryall and vj torchys, and my executors to pay for the waste of them. The resydewe of all my goodes I gyff to the dysposicion of sir Thomas Ellys preste and William Sowthe fysher of the citie of Lincoln, whome I orden my executors, to dispose my goodes for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys and other of them to have for ther labor xs. I will that Thomas Burton yonger be my supervisor, and to have for hys labor xs. Wytnes werof, sir William Smythe, sir Thomas Frere prestes ; Xp'of'er Smythe bocher ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 19 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN ALMONSON [OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 242d.]

9 April, 1531. I John Almonson of Boston, draper, makyth my last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of saint Botulphe in Boston. To the highe altare of Boston vijd. To our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To the fatherles chylder ijd. To the gylde of seven martirs iiijd. To Elizabeth my wyff the house y^t I dwell in for the space of xij yeres, and then I will it remayn to John Almanson my eldest sone ; and yff it fortune him to dye or the sayd yeres be expiryd, I will the house remayn to William my sone, and so from William to my doughters aftyr the forme abouesayd, that is to say euery one to be other heyres. To the reparacion of the house of the Whyte frerys ijd. To euery one of my chylder xls. a chylde for ther chyldys parte. The resydue of all my goodes my dettes payd I bequeth unto Elizabeth my wyff, wch I make full and hole executrix to dispose and do w^t them as she thynkes best for the helth of my soule. Also I orden and make sir William Almonson my brother and William Paynter my unkyll supervisors. Thes beryng wytnes, sir Otuell Cowper ; frere Edwarde Watson prior of the Whyte frerrys ; and William Bollys ; w^t many other.

Proved before P., at Boston, 24 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. CRAYNE [OF SOUTH ORMSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 393d.]

10 April, 1531. I Thomas Crayn of Sowthormesby makyth my last will. My body to be buried in the churche yerde of st Leonerde in Southormesby, with that that the lawe requyryth in the name off my mortuary. To the high altare for forgottyn tithys iiijd. To the churchwarke of the same xiid. To the gylde of st Jamys in the same halff a quarter off barley. To our Lady in our mother churche of Lincoln vjd. To the churcewarke of the same vjd. To our Lady light in the churche off Brynkyll. To Jenet Crayn vjs. viijd., [etc.]. To Jenet my wyff yff sche kepe her unmaryed all the remanent of my goodes unbequethyd, and yff sche mary I will that John my sonne and Jenet my doughtter shall have halffe with her to them and to theyr chylder. The which Jenet my wyff and John my sonne I make my executors to dispose for the helthe of my soule and all my good frendes soulys and for all crysten soulys. Thes wytnes, Richerd Stapulforthe prest ; Henry Hurn preste ; William Helwys ; Thomas Wycam.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 8 May, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD KENT [OF LONG LEADENHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 356.]

11 April, 1531. I Richerd Kente makes and ordens thys my will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of s^t Swythine in Longledenham. To the high alter for tithys forgottyn viijd. To our Lady light in Ledenham xijd. To our Lady warkes in Lincoln xijd. To Robert Newcum. To my mother my yron bounde wayn. To vij of John Newcom chylder [folio 356d.] every on xijd., sum vijs. To Edmund Newcom ij chylder ether of them xijd., sum ijs. To John Thomlynson xijd. To the bying off a grale booke to the church of Ledenham iijs. iiijd. To the iiiij orders of frerlys in Lincoln every on iiijd., sum xvjd. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth to my mother and Edmund Newcom and John Newcom, whome I make my executors, and at they dispose for the helthe of my soule as it shall please them best. Wytnesses, William Gardoys; John Londesdale; and John Tomlynson; with other.

Proved before P., at Ancastr', 5 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF MARGARET SHEFFELDE [OF SOUTH ELKINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 405.]

11 April, 1531. I Margaret Sheffelde, videw, makys my last will. My body to be buryd in the churche of All Halloys in Southelkyngton. I bequeth a lyn shete to the highe altare of Southelkyngton; ij sylver sponys to William Hoblethorne and hys wyff; one sylver spone to the vicare off Southelkyngton; a masser and a sylver spone to Jamys Browne; one altare clothe of dyaper to our Lady altare in the churche of Southelkyngton. To John Bloxham vjs. viijd. To Robert Bekeryng vjs. viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln viijd. To our Lady of Alvyngham viijd. To s^t Augustyn viijd. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to William More and Agnes hys wyff, whome I make my executors. Thes beyng wytnes, Jamys Bieche vicare of Southelkyngton; George Smyth; Jamys Smyth; John Lynley; Robert Browne; with other moo.

Proved before P., in the cathedral church of Lincoln, 29 July, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. ANTON [OF HUNDLEYB].

[L.C.C. 1520-31, f. 300d.]

12 April, 1531. I William Anton of Hundylby makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche of Hundylby, w^t that that the lawe requiryth to be my mortuary. To our Lady of Hundylby vjd. To the church of Hundylby vjd. To our mother churche of Lincoln xvijd. To Agnes my wyff iiij kye, ij calves, x yowes, and x lammys. To the sayd Agnes one baye fole of iij yeres olde and iij swyne, also a mashing tubbe, ij gylyng tubbys, one ambre, one arke, [etc.]. And yff the sayd Agnes do departe frome Simond my sone, then I wyll the iij tubbys do remane to the sayd Simon; and aftyr the decease of the sayd Agnes I will that the sayd gret arke to remane to Margaret my daughter; and yff that she do dye before she be maryed,

then I will that the sayd gret arke do remane to Simon, my sone. To Agnes my wyff and Margaret my daughter all my pewter vessel equally to be devydyd betwyxt them. To Thomas my sone ij yowes, [etc.]. To Jenet Anton the daughter of Thomas Anton a cowe. To Elizabeth Woodrofe a yowe and a lamme. To Margaret wyff unto Simon Anton a brasse potte of ij gallons, [etc.]. To our Lady gylde of Hundylby one schepe. The resydew of my goodes not gyffyn nor bequethyd my dettes payd and my will fulfyllyd I gyff them to Simon my sone, whome I mak my executor. In wytnes herof, sir Robert Dawson, vicar; Robert Jenkynson; Thomas Wright; Libeus Smyth; w^t other moy.

Proved before P., at Spillesby, 10 May, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN SMYTH [OF WELLOW].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 354.]

12 April, 1531. I John Smyth of Lath Garthys in the parysh of st Augustyn and st Olyff next Grymesby makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the monastery of st Augustyn and st Olyff of Welhoo next Grymesby. To the parysh alter iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To our Lady warke off Lincoln iiijd. To Elizabeth my wyff all my landes and tenementes within the towne and felde off Brygeslay excepte iiiij acres of lande the wich I bought of sir Robert Lowe, wich iiiij acres I gyff to Elizabeth my wyff the thyrde parte terme of her lyff. To Thomas Smyth my sonne all my housys and landes aftyr the decease of my wyff excepte the forsayd iiiij acres. To William my sonne one close lying in Brygeslay, of wich close I will that my wyff have the thyrde duryng her lyffe, and aftyr her decease my sonne Wylliam to have holy the close and the iiiij acres. To Margaret my daughter xxs., [etc.]. To Emme my daughter xxs., [etc.]. To Isabell my daughter xls., [etc.]. To Agnes my daughter xls., [etc.]. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executrix that she shall dispose thame for the helth of my soule, [etc.], as I have gyffyn her informacion. Thes men beyng wytnes, sir William Kyrkby; John Grenefelde; Robert Reyfflay; William Browne; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 27 April, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF EDMUND KNYGHT [OF SKELLINGTHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 329d.]

21 April, 1531. I Edmund Knyght off Skellynghope beyng in hole mynde and save dredyng dethe makyth my laste will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church of st Laurence of Skellynghope. Therto I bequeth vjs. viijd. For forgottyn tithys ijs. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To Hugh my sonne. To Howes my daughter. To Jenet my daughter. To Humfray my sonne. To every one of my sonnys chylldren. To the vicare. [folio 330]. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to my wyff Jenet, and she to be my executrix, and Hugh my sonne with her, to dispose for the helthe of my soule. Wytnes theroff, sir Robert Kyppas; Jamys Langton; Bartholomew Tuffyn; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 16 June, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD PARKER [OF GRAINSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 280d.]

23 April, 1531. I Richerd Parker makes thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed within the churchyerde in Granesby, with my dew mortuary aftyr custome. To our Lady of Lincoln ijd. and to our Lady warkes ijd. To the churche of Granesby halffe one acre barley. To st^t Nicholes iiijd. To the parson halff a quarter malte. The resyde of my goodes my dettes payd to be devydyd in thre partes, the one parte for my buryall, the secund parte to my wyff, the thyrde parte to my chyldren. I make Jenet my wyff and Robert Parker my sonne executors. Wytnesses, George Byillesby parson of Granesby; William Waltham; John Bemonde; Thomas Stevynson; John Arke[ll]; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 14 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF NICHOLAS ELLERS [OF THEDDLETHORPE ALL SAINTS].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 271.]

24 April, 1531. I Nicholes Ellers of Thedilthorpe makes thys my last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde off All Halloys of Thedylthorp aforesayd. To the high altare of All Halloys iiijd. To the warkes of our blessyd Lady of Lincoln ijd. To the blessyd hed off holy st^t Hugh of Lincoln ijd. To Nicholes Ellers my fader vjs. viijd. To every one of my chyldren singularly by ther selff a yowe and a lamme. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Jenet my wyff that she may dispose it for the helthe of my soule and all my frendes soulys. I make Jenet my wyff executrix. I will that William Lyesthorpe and John Cowper be the supervisors, and thay shall have ijs. iiijd for ther labor. Thes wytnesses, sir Nicholes Bonner vicar; Robert Heryng; George Woer; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Alford, 16 April, 1532.

RICHARD STEUENSON [OF CROWLE].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 345.]

27 April, 1531. I Richard Steuenson of Crowle, hole of mynd and remembraunce, ordayne and makes my last will and testament. I witt my sowle to almighty God to his mother Marye and to all the sayntes in heauen, and my bodye to be buryed wth in the church yeard of st^t Oswald marter in Crowle. To the hye alter of the said church iiijd. To our Ladie of Lincoln jd. The residewe of all my goodes not witt I geue to Jenatt my wyfe and John my sonne, whome I makes my faythfull executores for to dispose for my sowle. Thes wittnesses, sir Roberte Glewe, curate; Thomas Dynchdayle; Harrye Steuenson; John Tuttyll; wth other mooe.

Proved at Owston, 16 June, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BAYTE [OF FISHTOFT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 395d.]

28 April, 1531. I John Bate the elder off the parysh of st^t Guthlac of Tofte makes my testament concludyng in it my last will. My body to

be buryed in the churche yerde of st^t Guthlak, and for my mortuary that the lawe and the custome of the kyng schall require. To the onornament of the blessyd sacrament ther iiijd. For tithys forgottyn ther iiijd. To the good and proffitable warkes of our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To st^t Catheryns ther ijd. To the iiiij orders of frerys in Boston ij schepe equally to be devydyd emong them at the Natiuitie of our Lady nexte insewyng. To Jenet Bate my doughtter in lawe. To Luce Gybson. To Robert Bate sun of Richerd Bate. I will that a trentall be sung within the churche of Tofte for my soule and all my good frendes soulys continually aftyr my deceasse. To Elizabeth my wyff my house the whiche I wonne in with v roode of pasture lying under it and iij roode off arable lande lying at Brode Grenys and halff one acre on the Hye gate the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her deceasse the sayd house with the v roode pasture shall remayn to John Bate my sonne and to the heyres of hys body ; [remainder] to Robert Bate my sonne and to hys heyres off hys body. To Robert Bate my sonne aftyr the deceasse of hys mother iij roode arable lande lying at Brode Grenys and halff an acre one the high gate to hym and hys heyres of hys body ; [remainder] unto John Bate my sonne and to the heyres of hys body. And yff it fortune the forsayd John and Robert my sonnys to deceasse withoutt heyres of ther bodys [folio 396] then I will the sayd house and lande be solde and the money therof takyn for to be exps pendyd in syngyn of prestes and in other charitable dedes within the churche of Tofte for my soule and all my good frende soulys. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them holy to John Bate and Robert Bate my sonnys, whome I make my executors for to dispose for the helth of my soule and my good frendes soulys as they shall thynke best to the pleas' of God. Thes wytnesses, sir John Tateshall; Robert Wyffyn ; Robert Broune ; and Rabdyke [sic] the elder ; with other mo yff nedre require.

Proved before P., at Boston, 24 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT VERO [OF CROFT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 330d.]

30 April, 1531. I Robert Vero of Crofte makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of All Halloys in Crofte. To my curat in the name of my mortuary to pray for me xijs. iiijd. To the high altare in Crofte for tithys forgottyn viijd. To our Lady altare xijd. To the bellys xijd. To our Lady altare in Lincoln xijd. To our Lady warke viijd. To every religiose house of the frerys in Boston vjd. I witt xs. for a trentall of messys to be sayd at *Scala celi* in Boston for my soule and all crystyn soulys. To Alice my wyff my housholde holy, [etc.]. To every one of my fyve chyldren iiijl. at the age of xxj^{ty} yeres or ellys at suche tyme as my executors thynkes proffyt for them, [etc.]. To Thomas my sone. To Thomas Grymstone my godsun a yeryng stawk. To every of my godchylder in Crofte. To Robert Hall. Also thys my last will and goodes I put them holy in the handes of sir John Vero and Stevyn Grymstone, whome I make my executors, and for ther labor xijs. iiijd. and the rewarde of God. Wytnessyth sir Thomas Russyll curate ; sir Thomas Banester ; John Halyn ; William Broune ; Robert Hall.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 23 June, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD BAKER [OF FISHTOFT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 396.]

7 May, 1531. I Richerd Baker, of the parysh of s^t Guthlake of Tofte makes my testament concludyng in it my last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of s^t Guthlak. For my mortuary that the lawe and kynges acts shall require. To the blessyd sacrament ther for tithys forgotten iiijd. To the good and proffitable workes off our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To s^t Catheryns ther ijd. To the churche warkes of Tofte iiijd. To Steven Baker my sonne a yong balde meyr and a scheder callfe. To John Baker my sonne. To Jenet and Agnes Baker my doughtters. To Alice my wyff my carte and my plough with all the harnes belongyng to the same the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decesse my carte with the harnes to remayn to Stevyn my sonne and the plough with the harness to John [*folio 396d.*] my sonne. To Alice my wyff my house standyng in Landerthorpe and ij acres pasture lying vnder it, and a acre arable lande lying one the Gayste the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decesse the house with the ij acres pasture lying vnder it to remayn to Stephyn Baker my sonne, hys heyres, and assygnes. To John Baker my sonne aftyr the decesse of hys mother an acre of arable lande lying on the Gaste, to hym hys heyres of hys body. [Remainder] to Stevyn my sonne, to hym hys heyres of hys body; [remainder] to the nexte heyr of me Richerde Baker for ever. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff them to Alice my wyffe, to pay my legaces my dettes and for to dispose for the helthe of my soule and all my good frendes soulys as she shall thynke best to the pleas' of God and the helthe of my soule and Thomas Romforthe to be supervisor. Thes wytnes, sir John Tateshall; John Bell; with other mo yff nede require.

Proved before P., at Boston, 24 May, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM FOSTER [OF BOULTHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 330.]

8 May, 1531. I William Foster of the paryshyng of Bultham makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the chyrch or church yerde of s^t Helene in Bultham. To the high altare for tithynges forgottyn viijd. To the iiij orders of frerys in Lincoln viijd. each. To our Lady warke of Lincoln viijd. To Johanne my daughter. To John Sawer. To Isabell Foster. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Margaret my wyff and John and Robert my sonnys, whome I make my executors, and they to dispose my goodes for the helthe of my soule, at the syght of master Robert Sutton esquier the supervisor. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Robert Gawber curet; John Craven; Xp'ofer Sawer; and John Walys.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 17 June, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF HELENE METCALFF [OF SWINHOPE].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 237d.]

16 May, 1531. I Helene Metcalfie of Swynhope, vido, makyth my laste testament. My body to be buryd in the churche yerde of s^t Helene of Swynhope. To the altare of Swynhope xijd. To sir Richerde Thomlynson parson vjs. viijd. To our Ladys warke off Lincoln xijd.

To Richerde Metcalve my sun a mayzar and all my coppys in Bymbroke, and to every one of hys chylder. To Jenet Howton, Isabell Howton, Alice Day, Beatrix Day, Walter Day, Helene Gonerley. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff them to Richerde Howton, whome I make my executor, and he to have for hys labor vjs. viijd., and Thomas Lysone supervisor, and he to have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, sir Richerde Thomlynsone parson; Thomas Lyson; Thomas Thomlyndon; Richerde Howtton; Walter Day; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Grymmesby, 11 February, 1533.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. BUCKNALL [OF CANWICK].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 287d.]

20 May, 1531. I William Bucknall of Canwyk next Lincoln, seke in body, make and orden this my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the churche of All Halloys in Canwyk. To the high altare of Canwyk for my tithis forgottyn xijd. and one quarter of barly. I bequeth v acre of berly to the sayd churche. To Fyskerton churche halffe a quarter of barly. To our Lady warke in Lincoln xijd. To the Gray frerlys halffe a quarter of malte and one stryke of barly. To the other iij orders of frerlys every order one stryke of barly. To the chylder of the barne house¹ halffe a quarter of barly. I bequeth a yeryng calffe to the paryshyng of Canwyk to make them a commune bull off. To Thomas Bucknall sonne of Fyskerton. To the Gray frere the wiche was my gostly father xs. for to do a trentall of messes in Canwyk churche for my soule and all crysten soules. To Will' Dabney the elder. I will that a quarter of malte shall be brewyd and iiiij dosyn bred and iiiij stonyss of chese to be delte for my soule in Canwyk churche. To Thomas Bucknall my brother, whome I make my executor, viij acre of pease, one acre of wheate to that intente that he shulde take the resydue of my goodes and bryng up my chylder to they be at laufull age. And then he to delyver them ther barne partes. I make William Dabney the elder supervisor. Wytnes, sir Richerde Harwe my gostly father; William Wynter; Jamys Symnyll; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 23 February, 1531-2, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT MUSGRAUE [OF CAYTHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 274d.]

21 May, 1531. I Robert Musgrave of Cathorpe make and orden this my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the parysh churche of st Vincent in Cathorpe. To my lady Jane Hussy ij bullokess which I boroyd of her, and one cowe the best in my yerde. To m^r Fokyngham ij stagges, j red sorrylde with a whyte face trottyng and a blake amblyng, and a blake velvet dooblet wich is with Robert Huchynson within thre myle of Beuerlay, [etc.]. To William Cooke. To masterys Isabell. To our mother churche of Lincoln xijd. To the vicar of Halton a bawsand nage. To sir Rawff Parker a pare of beades with a domme, [etc.]. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth to Dorothe my wyff, Jane and Anne my daughters, whome I make my executors. I make m^r Cristofer Bothe to be supervisor. Yeven at Cathorpe. Thes wytnesses, sir Rawff Parker

¹ That is, the orphans of St Katherine's priory.

curate ; m^r Thomas Fokyngham ; Anthony Swynton ; William Coke ; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Castr', 19 April, 1532. Administration granted to Dorothy the relict, reserving power to grant to Joan and Anne the daughters when they come to lawfull age.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT ELWARD [OF GEDNEY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 239d.]

I Robert Elwarde of Gedney makes thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of Gedney. For my mortuary accordyng unto the actes of the parliament. To the high altare off Gedney for forgottyn tithys xijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln xijd. To the pore [folio 240] chyldren of st Catheryns vjd. To every light within the sayd churche of Gedney jd. To the churchwarke of Gedney vjs. viijd.

Thys is the last will of me the forsayd Robert. To Richerd my sonne my hed house with viij acres of arable grounde lying underneth it be it more or lesse, he to have it immediatly aftyr the departyng off Margaret my wyff to hym and to hys heyres of hys body lawfully begottyn ; also vj acres of pasture grounde lying beneth the forsayd viij acres, to hym and to hys heyres of hys body. To John my sonne my house that sumtyme was Godfray Dynyells with iiiij acres of arable ground underneth it be it more or les, to hym and to hys heyres of hys body lefully cumyng, aftyr the decease of my wyff ; also ten acres of pasture grounde lying by Gedney Crosse be it more or lesse, to hym and to hys heyres of hys body lefully cumyng, aftyr the decease of my wyff. To Thomas my sonne viij acres of pasture grounde lying in Byllys Hurne to hym and to hys heyres of hys body, aftyr the decease of my wyff. I will that Richerd and John my sonnes gyff Agnes my daughter every one of them xxs. within a twelmonthe and one day aftyr that they cum to ther landes. I will that Richerd and John my sonnes gyff Margaret my daughter every on of them xxs. within too yers after they cum to ther landes. I will that yff anny of my iij sonnys departe withoutt issue of ther bodyes lefully cumyng, I will that hys landes that is departed be devydyd betwyxt the other too that be alyff. And yff Richerd or John departe withoutt issue of ther bodyes before ther mother, then I will the other too beyng alyff have hys landes equally devydyd, that is departyd betwyxt them, so that Richard or John whether it be pay to Agnes and Margaret my doughters every one of them xxs. as is before namyd, and also halffe of hys brother parte by the reason that he cum to halffe of hys brother house and landes, and the other to pay the other halffe, that is to say every one of them xxs. within the twelmonthe and a day to Agnes and Margaret then beyng a lyff as is before rehersyd. I will that yff Richerde my sonne and [folio 240d.] John departe thys worlde withoutt issue of ther bodyes lefully cuming, then I will that Thomas my sonne beyng a lyff have all hys brothers housys and landes, he to pay hys systers Agnes and Margaret then beyng a lyff every one of them xls. as rehersyd afore, and also to fynde a good and a honest prestre for to pray for me and my good frendes for the space of halff yere in the church of our Lady in Gedney within the space of ij yeres aftyr that he cum to hys housys and landes, or ellys I will that the church masters of Gedney beyng at the

same tyme shall sell viij acres of pasture grounde that the forsayd Thomas shulde have, lying in Bylls Hurne, for to dispose for me and my good frendes in celebratyng within the churche of Gedney. Yff Agnes or Margaret departe withoutt issue of ther bodyes before ther mother departe, then I will that the xls. that she shulde have had that is departyd be disposyd in celebratyng of a good and a honest prest within the church of Gedney. And yff that Agnes and Margaret departe owt of thys worlde bothe before ther mother withoutt issue of ther bodyes, then I will that the sylver that they shulde have had be disposyd in celebratyng of a good and a honest prest within the church of Gedney for me and my goode frendes. I will that yff Richerde, John and Thomas departe withoutt heyres of ther bodys, then I will that Agnes and Margaret my doughters then beyng alyff have all my housys and landes equally devydyd betwyxt them, and they to fynde a preste to pray for me and my good frendes by the space of halff a yere. I will that yff other of them departe withoutt heyres of ther bodys, the other that is a lyff to have all my housys and landes, [folio 241] she to fynde a prest as is afore namyd. Yff Agnes and Margaret my doughters departe thys worlde withoutt heyres of ther bodys, then I will that all my housys and landes that I have besolde by the churchwardens of Gedney beyng at that tyme, and the money theroff cumyng to be disposyd in celebratyng of a good and honest prest for me and my good frendes within the church of Gedney so long as it lastes. The resydue of my goodes I gyff unto my wyff, she to bryng me honestly forthe, whome I make executrix, and John Day supervisor, he to have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Wytnes heroff, sir Richerd Luffdyn ; Morrice Rynge ; John Nicolson ; John Day ; with other moy. [No date]

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 23 May, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. PEARSON [OF MARSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 373d.]

28 May, 1531. I Thomas Pearson of Marston under thys maner foloyng makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the churche yerde of our Lady of Marston. To the high altare of Marston for forgottyn tythys xijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the church of Sydbroke ijs. To our Lady and st Anthony of Sydbroke ij yowys and ij lammys. To the house of Newbo xijd. [folio 374]. To the Trinite chapell of Marston xijd. To the bellys of Marston xijd. To the house of Tupholme xijd. To the churche of Buknall iiijd. To the Sellerys¹ iiijd. To Richerde Haueray. To sir John Person my sonne xs. To Elizabeth Hanson. To Nicholes Smyth. To Edwarde Spenser. To syr Thomas Grauys parysh preste iijs. iiijd. To Richerd Haueray and William Person, xl., [etc.], to bryng me honestly to the grounde, pay my debts and dispose for the well of my soule, and I make them executors. Also I will that they have for ther labor other of them a yong felly. The resydwef of my goodes I gyff to Edwarde Spenser and to Nicholes Smyth equally to be devydyd betwixte them at the syght of my sonne sir John Pearson, the wych I make supervysor. Thes wytnes, sir John Wymarke prest ; William Tyler ; Richerd Lyght ; Robert Wryght ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 19 August, 1531, by the executors.

¹ Probably the hermit of Silverys or Sellers, near Tupholme.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD BEN [OF FREISTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 398.]

31 May, 1531. I Richerd Ben of Freston in Holland [*folio 398d.*] do make my testament and laste will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of Freston. I will that m^r prior with hys brethren do receyve me as a brother, and to have for ther labor ijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To our Ladys warkes ijd. To the high altare of Freston xijd. To st Jamys light ijd. To our Lady of Grace iiijd. To John Lawes an acre lande and a halff lying in Grew felde, and one acre lying in Mylne Crofte in fe symple. To William Dennys a one acre callyd Willo Lande in Schorte furlonges, and thre stong callyd Ellys Lande, and halff one acre callyd Water Grafte in fee symple. To Isabell Skyrbek one acre and a halff lying at Bardeney Pyttes callyd Pollery, and an acre lying in Ted Crofte felde. To John Lawes halff an acre callyd Emry Ryg in fee symple. To Isabell Skyrbek. To the Trinite gylde halff an acre lande callyd Kytchyn Ryg yff the lawe will admyn it, and yff the law willnot admyn my executors to take it and to pay yerely the rent to the sayd gylde for lxxxix yeres. To Thomas Elwarde when he cumys to xvi yeres of age iij nobyls of golde, that is to say xxijs. vjd., and yff he dye before he cum to the sayd age, he to be brought furthe honestly with parte of the sayd money, and the rest therof to be devydyd emong my chyldren. To Collette Ben. To Jenet Dawson xijd. To the churche warke vs. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John Lawes and William Deynnes, whome I make my executors. Thes wytnes, Peter Ben; and William Hobson; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Wyberton, 10 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD RAY [OF GRANTHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 365.]

1 June, 1531. I Richerd Ray makes my last will. My body to be buryd within the church of st Wulfran of Grantham. To the moste [*sic*] and blessyd sacrament for discharge of my conscience ijs. To our mother church of Lincoln for my oblacion xijd. To the fatherles chylder of st Catheryn xijd. To the church warke of Grantham ijs. All the resynew of my goodes I gyff them unto my wyff, whome I make executrix to se my dettes payd and me brought furthe as she thynkes best for the helth of my soule and all my good frendes soulys. Wytnes herof, sir Thomas Newton; William Marshall; Thomas Woodcroft; with others; and William Marshall to be my supervisor.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 17 October, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN SCHORT [OF WALTHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 280d.]

6 June, 1531. I John Schortt of Waltam makes my testament and last will. My body to be berryd within the churche yerde of Allhawlos of Waltham with that at be dew to the churche. To the hye alter within the churche of Waltham for forgottyn tithys ijs. To the belles in the sayd churche iiijd. To owr moder churche of Lincoln iiijd. To owr Ladys worke in the sayde churche ijd. To Agnes my davther. To Katheryn my doutter. To William my son. To Thomas my sone.

To Elyn Schortt my wyffe my howssys and land the qwiche I have within counte [sic] and feld of Waltham for the terme of hir lyffe, and after her decesse I wyll that William my sown have all the sayde howces and lond to him and his erres. The residewe of my guedes not wyt I beqwithe to Elyn my wyffe and to Thomas Eryng, whom I make myne executrices at tha may dysposse it for the helthe of my sowle. Wyttnes, sir William Yoff¹; Hew Schortt; Franscys Gren; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 14 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT WYBORNE [OF FOSDYKE].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 10d.]

6 June, 1531. I Robert Wyborne of Fosdyke, wyver, make my testament. I gyff my soule [etc.], and my body, [etc.], w^t my mortuary, [etc.]. To the high altare ijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln ijd. To st Catheryns ijd. To the churchwarke of Fosdyke xijd. To Cybell my daughter a gret chyst without fete and xxs. to be payd unto her at the day of her maryage by thandes of her mother. To Stephyn my eldest sun xxs. [etc.], to be payd vnto hym when he cumyth to laufull age by thandes of hys mother. To Jamys my yongest sun xxs. to be payd as aforesaid. I will yff any of theym dy or they come to laufull age that the parte of the dede be devydyd equally emonges the qwyk; yff they all dy and my wyffe lyff, then I will that she shall haue all ther partes. The resydue of my goodes, my body brought to the grunde, all the iij days with messe and dirige, and my dettes paid I gyff to Cecill my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose at her frewyll. Sir Stephen Haythnes to be supervisor. Thes wytness, sir Thomas Pytfelde curate; William Remy; Thomas Hunt; and Thomas Wyborne of Fosseyke.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 10 April, 1532, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD KYRKE [OF CLAYPOLE].

[L.C.C. 1520-31, f. 350.]

8 June, 1531. I Richerd Kyrke, seke of body, makes and ordens my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churchyerde of the holy appostellys Peter and Paull in Claypull. To the high altare of the churche of Claypole for tithys forgottyn viijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. To the cawsy of Clapole ijs. iiijd. To the churche of Clapole ijs. iiijd. To William my sonne. To Jenet my daughter a lyttyll basyn of maslyne, [etc.]. To John and Thomas my sonnes. To Isabelle my daughter iijl., [etc.], for to be payd within the yere day. And yff that my wyff go to mariage she for to pay it or she be marayed. And yff that it fortune any of my forsayd iij chyldren for to departe, then I will that they that lyffys for to have the good above namyd; and yff it fortune that they all departe, then I will that it be disposyd for my soule and thers. To sir Robert Hartelay xijd. To Allyson my daughter. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Parnell my wyff, whome I make executrix, she for to dispose them for the helthe of my soule as she thynkes the best. Thes wytnesses, sir Robert Hertlay; John Minitte; William Banester; John Alcocke; and many moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 22 September, 1531.

¹ Sir William Ive was curate of Waltham (Salter, *A Subsidy*, p. 21.)

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN SKAMON [OF SCRIVELSBY].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 388d.]

12 June, 1531. I John Skamon of Screvelsby makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed within the churche yerde of st^t Benedicte of Skrevelesby. To the high altare of Skrevelesby my best oxe for tithes forgottyn. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To the churche of Screvelsby vjs. viijd. To Mynyngesby churche xxsd. To Claxby churche xxsd. To Haltham churche vjd. To Dalderby churche vjd. To the iiiij order of frerys at Boston iiijs. To Johanne my wyff bredcorne and malte corne for thone yere nexte aftyr my decesse, and it to be payd at the discretion of Robert Palfrayman, [etc.]. To Robert Skmonde that is with me xxvjs. viijd. when he shall cum to the age of xvij yeres. I will that Robert Scamon my sun have the sayd money in hys kepyng tyll he [folio 389] cum at the sayd xvij yeres of age. To Thomas Brumtone my servant. To William Skamon my sun xls. and it to be payd be xijs. iiijd. in the yere. To John Roper my servante a gyrdyll whiche William my sun hayth. To sir Thomas Scamon my sun vjs. viijd. To every one off my doughters iijs. iiijd. I will that my executor cause ij trentallys of messys to be sung in Screvelsby churche for the soulys of me and my wyff. I will that the sayd Robert my sun shall deale of my buryall day to pore folkes vjs. viijd., and at my viijth day, thyrt day, and seven yeres nexte aftyr my decesse at my yere day to cause a dirige and messe to be done and brede and chese to be delyd for my soule and soulys of my frendes, and thyrtene yeres nexte after the sayd seven yeres I will then ones in the yere to have one dirige and messe done and a messe penny to be offeryd for my soule, and the curet to have for hys laber vjd. To sir John Tayllor paryshe preste of Skrevelesby vjs. viijd. to pray for my soule. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Robert Scamon my sone, whome I make my executor, and Robert Palfreymen to be supervisor, and he to have for hys labor vjs. viijd.

Thys is the last will of me the sayd John Scamon. To the sayd Robert Scamon my sun and executor my tenement in Screvelsby with all the landes medoys, [etc.], within the towne and feldes of Screvelsby and Dalderby aftyr thys condicion that he shall truly performe all thynges above wryt and also pay yerely an annuite of vjs. viijd. owt of the sayd tenement to the sayd Johanne my wyff terme of her naturall lyff, and he to make her sewer therof by the syghttes of her frendes; always provydyd yff the sayd Robert my sun do not performe all gyfftes and bequethementes above wryt then I will the sayd Robert Palfreymen shall enter and take into hys handes all my goodes, [etc.]. Witnes heroff [folio 389d.] desyred and requesyte, sir John Tayllour paryshe preste of Screvelsby; William Welles of the same; John Richerdson of the same; Robert Tolkyne of the same; and Oliuer Chapman of the same; with other mo.

Proved before P. at Lincoln, 28 July, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF AGNES STYLL [OF MARSTON].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 365.]

13 June, 1531. I Agnes Styll of Marston, vnder thys maner foloyng makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the church

yerde of our Lady of Marston. To the holy sacrament of the altare my best kyrchyff. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To the high altare of Marston viijd. To Thomas Grauys xijd. To Margery Dowke a smok, a napurne, a kyrchyff. To Isabell Chambres my best apurne, [etc.]. To Jenet Chaplyn. To holde Agnes that was in house with me. To Isabell her syster a cannys. To John my sonne xxvjs. viijd. To Gerrerde my sonne xxvjs. viijd. The resydue of my goodes I will it be devydyd equally emongste my chylder at the sight and order of Thomas Styll, my sonne Gererde Styll, and Thomas Ayston, whome I make mye executors, and every one of them to have for ther labors xxd. a pece. Thes wytnes, sir Thomas Grauys ; Thomas Mylman ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Ancaster, 16 October, 1532. Administration granted to Gererd Styll and Thomas Ayston, the executors, reserving power to grant to Thomas Styll the son when he shall come to lawful age.

THE TESTAMENT OF AGNES [*sic*] SYGRAUE [OF STOWE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 367.]

15 June, 1531. I Alice Sygrave of Stowe makes my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the churche of Stowe. To m^r prior of Sempyngham vjs. viijd. To the nunnys vjs. viijd. To the chanons vjs. viijd. To the high altare of Stowe my best schete to be altare clothe, and my best kyrchyff to be a corporax. To st Awdre a bee hyve of the best, and a towell. To Richard Sygrave xls. To Jenet Grene my daughter a grene gowne and a hake, [etc.]. To Thomas Wryght off Frekyngham. To Thomas Wryght doughter of Frekyngham. To Richerd Sygrave doughter of Frekyngham. To William Newton doughter of Frekyngham. To Richerd Sygrave doughter of Stowe. To Richerd Sygrave wyff of Stowe. To Adam Sygrave wyff of Stowe. To Emmot Sygrave. To Thomas Sygrave of Stowe. To Jenet Newton of Stowe. To Catheryne Stele. To danne William Skelton xxd. to pray for me. I make Richerd Sygrave and Adam Sygrave my sonnys my executors of my goodes not bequeth' to use them as they thynke best for the helthe of my soule. Wytnes, danne William Skelton ; Richerd Sygrave ; Adam Sygrave ; Richard Sygrave off Frekyngham ; Thomas Wryght of the same ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Burne, 21 October, 1531, by the executors.

ROGER DOLPHYN [OF GUNTHORPE].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 275.]

29 June, 1531. I Roger Dolphyn of Gunthrope wth in the parishe of Owston in the Ile of Axholme, seeke of bodye and hole of mynd, makes my testament conteyninge my hole and last will. My bodye to be buried wth in the church yeard of st Martyn of Owston. Vnto the hye alter of st Martyn for my tythes forgotten xijd. To our Ladye worke of Lincoln' xijd. I will halfe a messe and a [page 276] dirige singinge in the parishe church of Owston for my sowle and all christian sowles. I bequeath xxd. to a prest to say v messes for my sowle. To my wyffe and to my childer hollye together the rentes of William Dolphins howse the space of iij yeares from the feast of st Michaell Arckangil next folowinge xxjs.

in the yeare. The resedewe of all my goodes I geue to Katheryne my wyffe, whome I make myne executrix, so that she dispose for the healthe of my sowle as is best pleasinge to allmighty God. I will that Thomas Lawton' of Kenald Ferye be ouerseer of this my will. Thes wittnesseth, sir Roberte Cundall' chauntrye prest of Kenall' Ferye ; Thomas Lawton' of the same ; Thomas Dolphyn' of Stockwth ; and Thomas Moodye the sonne of William Moodye of Gunthrope ; wth other mooe.

Proved before L., at Gaynsbrough, 20 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. WAY [OF NORTH COCKERINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 373.]

1531. I William Way of the paryshyng of Cokryngton Marie makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche of Cokryngton. To the sacrament in Cokryngton church for tithys and oblacions forgottyn xd. To our Lady warke of our mother churche of Lincoln ijs. To our Lady lyght in Cokryngton churche xijd. To a light before our Lady of Pety xijd. To Alvyngham churche vjd. To Sowthe Cokryngton churche xijd. To John Cooke a mellyd russyt jaket. To Robert Cooke. To my syster. The resydue of my goodes I will it be devydyd in thre partes, I to have the fyrist parte and that to be disposyd for the helth of my soule, the secunde to Agnes my wyff, and the thyrde to my chyldren. I make to be my executor Robert Johnson, and he to have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Wytnes heroff, sir Richerd Browne; Roger Yarburgh; Martyn Raynolde; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 30 June, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT BAYTHE [OF PINCHBECK].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 368d.]

2 July, 1531. I Robert Bathe of Pynchbek makes my last testament and will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of Pynchbek. To the high altare for tithes forgottyn vjd. To the church warke of Lincoln iiijd. To the chyldren of st Catheryns ijd. The reste of all my goodes I gyff them to Jenet my wyff, whome I make my executrix, with Richerd Bathe and John Coke to be supervisors.

Also I make my will in the same day and date abovenamyd. To Jenet my wyff my house that I woone in with the appurtenances longyng thereto the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decesse I will it remayn to Susan my daughter to her and to her heres of her body. And yff it fortune Susan my daughter to dye withoutt heres of her body, I will the sayd house be solde be my supervisors yff they then be a lyff and the money to be dysposyd of a prest to syng for me and all my good frende soulys within the church of Pynchbek. And yff fortune bothe my supervisors to dye before my wyff or daughter, then I will the sayd house with the appurtenance be solde be the churchwardens and the vicare of the towne of Pynchbek then beyng, and the money to be disposyd as above is namyd. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Hill prest ; Edward Wytnay ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Pynchbek, 9 November, 1531.

JOHN TYLL [OF NETHER BURNHAM].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 359.]

4 July, 1531. I John Tyll of Netherburnham in the parish of Haxaye, of hole mynde makes my testamente. My bodye to be buryed in the church yeard of st Nicholas in Haxaye. To the hye awter in the said churche xijd. To our Ladyes workes in Lincoln' iiijd. Moreouer I will that my goodes shalbe deuyded in iij partes, one of the partes to my wyfe and myne eldest sonne, the second parte to my selfe, the thirde to my other childer, and the residewe of my parte vndisposed at my buryall I geue yt to my wyfe and to myne eldyst sonne, whome I make executors to dispose my goodes as they thinke best. Thes bearinge wittnes, sir William Baynes; Roberte Nayler; John Kelsaye; and Thomas Pettinger; w^t other mooe.

Proved before L., at Haxaye, 25 January, 1531-2. Administration granted to the relict, power being reserved to grant to the other executor, who is under age.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN ALY [OF WEST ALLINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 373.]

6 July, 1531. I John Aly of Alyngton make my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche of the Holy Trinite in Alyngton. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the church of Alyngton for my buryall vjs. viijd. [folio 373d.] To the chapell of st Jamys xijd. To Thorne church ijs. To Brodholme abbay xijd. To Hougham churche xijd. To Newbo abbay xijd. To the conuent ther xijd. To the frerys of Grantham xijd. To the iiiij orders of frerys in Lincoln to euery one of them xijd. To the frerys of Newarke xijd. To the church of Alyngton for forgottyn tithes iijs. iiijd. To sir Gabryell ijs. viijd. To my fowre daughters to euery one of them vjl. To the high altare of Alyngton iijs. iiijd. The resydue of my goodes my dettes payd and I brought to the erthe, I bequeth them to sir Robert Ryscall to dispose them for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys, whome I make my full executor. I gyff freely to the sayd sir Robert Ryscall my house lying in Foston w^t my hole tytyll and right theroff. Thes beyng wytnes, Richerd Kellam the elder; Richerde Kellam the yonger; John Parnell; Henry Baysby; William Richeman; w^t other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 18 July, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS KNOWLYS [OF BARTON ON HUMBER].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 368.]

6 July, 1531. I Thomas Knowlys of Barton vpon Humber, marchaunt, makyth my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church of st Mary within the hyle of st Thomas. To the vicare of the sayd churche for my forgottyn tithys vjs. viijd. To a honest preste to syng for my soule one hole yere. I will that ther be dealte for me at the day of my buryall money to pore people, my prentys, and every one of my god sonnys iiijd. To the roode of Welhome iiijd. To st Savior of Newborgh iiijd. To st Anne of Bukstone iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iijs. To George Knowlys sonne of Robert Knowlys xxl. sterlyng money. The resydewe of all my goodes I gyff unto Jane my wyff, and yff it please

god that she be with chylde at the day of my departyng owt of thys transitory lyff, I will that the sayd chylde have halffe off the sayd goodes with my wyff, accordyng to the porcion, and to be executor or executrix with my sayd wyff, when it please god to send it into thys worlde, to dispose for my soule as they thynk best to the pleas' of almyghty god and the helth of my soule, and I make Robert Knowllys my brother supervisor, and for hys labor and besynes takyng xvijl. Thes wytnessys, Thomas Smyth of Berton plummere; William Brayday of the same towne yoman; and other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 20 October, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN OLLAY [OF BUCKNALL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 246d.]

6 July, 1531. I John Otlay of Boknall makes my last will or testament. My body to be buryed within the church of Boknall, with my mortuary as the lawe will. To the high altare viijd. To the church warkes too beane landes. To our Lady warke of Lincoln viijd. To s^t Catheryns of Lincoln viijd. To every one of the iiiij orders of freris in Lincoln iiijd. I bequeth fowre trentallys to be done for me and my father and mother. To William my brother chylder and to hym selffe. To Thomas Idyll. To every one of my godchylder. To Agnes Idyll. To Beatrix Woode. To sir Matheu Dawson. To Richerd Wyton viijd. To Elizabeth Wyton and her syster iijs. iiijd. To mother Idyll viijd. To Alice Idyll viijd. The resydew of my goodes I bequeth to Syluester Bonwell, whome I make my executor to dispose for the helthe of my soule, and I make sir Matheu Dawson supervisor. Thes beyng wytnes, William Otlay; John Woode; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 22 September, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. EYRE [OF SALEBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 305].

11 July, 1531. I William Eyre makes here my last will. My body to be buryed within the church of s^t Margaret of Saleby. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iijs. To our Lady high altare of Lincoln xijd. To iiiij orders of freris wych visyttes the towne of Saleby for ther lyffyng, to eche order singler be it selffe xijd. for to have at every house sayd or song messe and dirige for helthe of my soule. I will and strately do charge that my mother shall have her lyffyng with my wyff as long as her lyff shall contynew, so she beyng contente therwyth, yff not then she to have money and stuff in penyworthys to the valewe of xls. and one cowe, wiche she will choys, to fynde her with. To the high altare of Saleby for tithys forgottyn xxd. To William Metforthe my godsun a plugh, a wayn, with the anormentes thereto pertenyng, [etc.]. To Thomas Cowper one pece of clothe and xxvjs. viijd. for stuff wiche was hys fathers. To Gilbert Colton my servant. To Helene my mayd. To echon of my servantes not namyd before beyng within my garthe. To William Ewan my godsun one portas wiche was my uncles. To Alan Ewan xls. or ellys my blak furryd gowne as my wyff and he can agre, and for this money he for to be supervisor. [folio 305d.]. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to Beatrix my wyff, whome I make my executrix, for to dispose parte therof for helthe

of my soule, [etc.]. Thes beyng wytnes, m^r Thomas Kyrkman parson of Mabilthorpe northe parysh; John Lee preste; Mathew Richardson; with diverse other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 7 September, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN SYMSON [OF BURGH LE MARSH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 380.]

13 July, 1531. I John Symson the elder of Burgh dothe make my will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Peter in Burgh. To the high altare for tithys forgottyn xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iijd. To the faterles chylder of st Catheryns iijd. To the church warke of Burgh iijs. To the nonnys of Bullyngton iijd. To Elizabeth my cosyn a cowe, [etc.], to be delyveryd at Candylmes next commyng, and sche and her wytwoorde to be at the gydyng or putting forthe of them whome I make my executors, and they to delyver her wytwoorde to her agane at the tyme of mariage as good as they had it. To Elizabeth Thomson my goddoughter. To Mawd Russyll. Also at my buryall to have an honest dirige, and to be brought honestly to the ground. The resydew of my goodes I wyll that it be disposyd for the helthe of my soule and all my good frendes soulys by the handes of John Thomson and Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executors. Thes men to wytnes, sir John Peychyll parysh prest; William Rysyll; and Robert; Mathew Smyth; John Thomson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 21 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF SIMON SOUTH [OF NUN ORMSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 297.]

20 July, 1531. I Simonde Sowthe of Nunormesby make thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryed within the chauncell of the churche of st Helene of Nunormesby. I bequeathe for brekyng of the grounde within the sayd chauncell vs. To the high altare of the sayd churche viijd. To the reparacions of the cathedrall churche of our blessyd Lady of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To the hed of st Hugh of Lincoln ijs. To the parysh church of st Helene of Ormesby vjs. viijd. To Clement Slak my godsun. To the chanons and nunnes of Ormesby vjs. viijd. To Thomas my sonne xls. at the age of xx^{ty} yeres. To Elizabeth my daughter xls. at the age of xx^{ty} yeres. I will that my executor shall receyve at the handes of m^r prior of Catley xxxij schepe, one oxe, and a cowe, to the vse of Jenet my daughter yf the sayd Jenet be myndyd to be a religiouse woman, then I will that my sayd executor shall pay and delyver to suche a house as she shall be professyd the sayd xxxij schepe, the oxe, and the cowe, togeder with xls. And yff it happen the sayd Jenet my daughter to decease before the day off her profession then I will the hole legacy remayn to my executor. Yff it happen the sayd Thomas my sone to decease before the sayd Elizabeth my daughter or the sayd Elizabeth before the sayd Thomas the sayd legaces then not payd, I will that he or she so over lyffyng other to be other heyre and have the hole legacy to eyther of them before bequethyd. To Alane my brother. To Jone daughter of the sayd Alan. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John my sone, whome I orden my executor to dyspose for the helthe of my soule,

[etc.]. I will that William Skypwyth esqwyer be supervisor, besechyngh hym to be speciall good master to my pore chyldren, and will to hym for hys payn xxs. Thes wytnesses, John Bynkes; Thomas Humbleton; and William Bratley; with other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 25 November, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN MELNER [OF SOUTH SOMERCOTES].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 276.]

21 July, 1531. I John Melner of Southe Somercotes makes thys my present testament and last will. My body to be buried in the churche of st Peter in Sowthsomercotes. I bequeth for my mortuary xs. To the churche to a pare of organs xxijs. vjd. To our Lady altare xijd. To st Thomas altare vjd. To our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To Marget my wyff xx marke. To Henry my sone vl. To Margaret my daughter vl. To Margaret my wyff xs. rent be yere duryng her lyff, and aftyr her decease to remayn to Henry my sonne. To Walter and Roger my ij sonnys my landes aftyr the custome of the cuntryth. To Walter and Roger my sonnes, and Allyson my daughter vl. apiece. To William Helvys. To sir John xxs. To Allyson Helvys, Helene, and Agnes. To the churche of st Nicholes of Northcotes iijs. iiijd. I will that the church masters have one cowe delyveryd to them, and the rent of her to be delte off Goodfryday for the soule of John Berre. I wyl that I be brought to the churche honestly the day of my buryng, with penny dole; my viijth day and my thyrty day, I putto to the discretion of my executors. To Allyson my daughter ij brasse pottes, [etc.], and yff she dye or she cum to mariage it to remayn to Margaret. To Thomas Parnell and Jenkyn Parnell ether of them vjs. viijd. To every one of my godchylder. To [folio 276d.] st Botulphe churche of Skydbroke iiijd. To st Edithe churche of Grymolby xijd. To st Clement churche of Garnthorpe vjd. To our Lady churche of Northsomercotes vjd. To st Clement church of Saltfletby iiijd. To the crosse of the sandes iiijd. To Alyson Garbray, John Melner. To Robert Mylner, to William his sone, to George, to ether of hys chylder, to Jenet Mylner, to Isabell Mylner. To the wyff of William Wylkynson. To John Way wyff. To Robert Helvys. To Margaret my wyff my cowcroft and vij acre myddoy so long as sche bydes within the towne. All my porchyst lande in defawt of heyres of Walter and Roger laufully begottyn to remayn to Henry, and in defawt of hys heyres to Margaret. To Margaret my wyff all the housholde that she brought with her Garnthorp. The resydue of all my goodes I will that all my chyldren from have it emonges them by the oversyght of my executors, excepte my hayrlomys. To Walter my sone my contre and pare of malte quernys, [etc.]. To Roger my sone a payr of new wayn shethes, [etc.]. To Margaret my wyff the gylde house of Garnethorp with the appurtenances. To Walter and Roger my sonnys my house in the northe rawe in Sowthesomercotes, that I have in take of our Lady gylde of Northe Somercotes, with the appurtenances. To Walter my sone Wolner crofte and iij acre and di. land in Sonderholm. To Roger my sone Pane crofte. To Henry my sone. I will that John Haven of Saltflethavyn and Walter Melner my sone be my executors, and John Haven to have for hys labor xs. I will that Robert Brasbryg of Marchchapell and John Snary of Sowthe Somercotes be the oversear of my will, and to have for ther labor

vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, William Godryk of Skydbrok ; Walter Graunt of Sowthsomercotes ; Robert Thomson of the same ; Thomas Parneli of Salflethaven ; Robert Melner of Southsomercotes ; and Robert Watson of the same.

Proved before P., at Louth, 17 April, 1532.

THOMAS RIDER [OF EPWORTH].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 351.]

21 July, 1531. Ego Thomas Rider de Epworthe compos mentis sane et memorie condo testamentum meum in hunc modum : Inprimis do et lego animam meam Deo Patri omnipotenti beate Marie necnon omnibus sanctis eius, corpus que meum sepulture ecclesiastice infra cemiterium sancti Andree in Epworthe. Item do et lego beate Marie Lincolnie iiijd. Item summo altari de Epworthe prefata pro decimis oblitis vjd. Residuum vero bonorum meorum non legatorum do et lego Johanne vxori mee Thome Rider Johanni Rider Lawrentio Rider Johanni Rider filiis meis et Johanne filie meæ quos facio ordino et constituo meos veros et legitimos executores vt disponant pro salute anime meæ. Hiis testibus domino Thoma Thewe Roberto Theker Johanne Mawe de Epworth prefata cum aliis.

Proved before L., at Belton, 25 January, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM COLLYN [OF LEVERTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 333.]

23 July, 1531. I William Collyn of Leuerton makeith my testament concludyng therin my last will. My body to be beureid in the churche of saint Helyn in Leuerton. To the sacrament ijd. To the honowrmentes of saint Helyn ther iiijd. To the honormentes of the highe awter iiijd. for tithes and oblacions forgettyn ijd. To our Lady Fleur ijd. To our Ladie of Pite ijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the orphanes at saint Kateryne in Lincoln ijd. To the churche warke of Leuerton viijd. To Richard Pykeryng. To Henry Hudson on borlyng. To Isabell Hudson. To Margaret Pykeryng. To William Hudson on colte stagge. The residew of all my gudes I give to Janeitt my wife, whom I make executrix to dispoisse it to the plessour of god and helthe of my saull as sche thynkethe best. Thies beyng witnes, sir John Fendyke the yonger ; Richard Fendyke the yonger ; John Beneitt ; Edmund Trowtyng ; with other moo.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT FOSTER [OF GOULCEBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 359d.]

25 July, 1531. I Robert Foster of Golceby make and orden thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed within the church yerde of All Halloys off Golceby. To the church of Golceby to by a cope wyth xxxjs. viijd. To the fyndyng of ij lyghttes within the church of Golceby, the one light before the crucifix in the body of the churche, the other light before our Lady situat in the northsyde of the same churche xs. To the church warke of Asterby iijs. iiijd. To the church warke of

Kynnyngton xx*d.* To the church warke off our mother church of Lincoln ij*d.* To Margaret Marcyall my doughtter vs. To Robert Brygge and hys wyff and ij chyldren unmaryed xs. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff them to Thomas Thomson and Robert Thomson, whome I make my executors. Thes ar the wytnesses, sir Robert Irlande vicar; Robert Adlard; Thomas Bray; John Scutte; John Goodhale; John Pratte; with many moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 22 September, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF AGNES HOWSON [OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 248.]

25 July, 1531. I Angnes Hovson wyddowe makes thys my last wyll and testament. My body to be buryed in the Whyte freers. To the hyȝe aualter of saynt Botolphe in Boston iiijd. To the gylde of vij marters iiijd. To ower Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To the fatherles chyldren at saynt Katerynes ij*d.* To the sayd freyrs xs., and the to syng a trentall of massys for hyt. I bequethe more to the sayd freyrs and there [*folio 248d.*] to remayn whylys it will indure a mazer of sylver and a brasse pot. To the yong frerys of the sayd house a cowe. To William Howson iij sponys of sylver, [etc.]. To Alexander Howson iij sylver sponys. To Elizabeth Howson a gyrdyll harnesyd with sylver, a braspot of bullen mettall, a schete of iij webbys, [etc.]. To Alice Howson a harnesyd gyrdyll, [etc.]. To our Lady of Pietie of the Whyte frerys an altare clothe. To Alice Rose a table clothe of diaper of the best towell, [etc.]. To Charlys Howson. To Margaret Oueray my servant a coverlyd of blewe with grene flowres, [etc.]. To Agnes Wryght a platter and a paynter dyshe. To sir Otuell Cowper. To Fermarye wyff. The rest of my goodes I will they be in the handes of Charlys Howson and Roger Rose whome I make my executors, and they to dispose them for the helthe of my soule, and they to kepe yerly as long as xls. will last one obbyt at the Whyte frerys, and Charlys Howson to have for hys labor a gowne that is in my house redy mayd, and Roger Rose to have for his labor vjs. viijd. Supervisor John Cony of Frampton, and he to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Thes to be whytnes, sir Otuel Cowper; George Roo; and Robert Stubbys; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WYTBRED [OF WRANGLE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 401.]

30 July, 1531. I John Wytbred of Wrangle makes thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche or churchyerde. I bequethe my mortuary as the lawe requiryth. To the reparacion of Wrangle churche vjs. viijd. For tithys forgottyn viijd. To the ornamentes of the high altare iiijd. To the reparacion of our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the orphans of st Catheryns of Lincoln vjd. To our Lady gylde in Wrangle xx*d.* To the Holy Rode gylde in Wrangle xx*d.* I will one preste syng for my soule the soulys of my parentes and other that I am bounde to pray for with all crysten soulys at st Catheryne altare in

Wrangle the space of di. one yere. To Agnes my daughter at the day of her mariage xls. To Richerde my sun one corte, one jak, one sallyt, one pare splentes, one gorgyt, one swerde, one bowe, with the reste of halff a scheyff of haroys, also one pare of mustarde quernys, one tub to dyght meale in, one boltyng tubbe, one table standyng at the benke, one lattyn lauer at the day of hys maryage, and iij sylver sponys and a corse harness gyrdell. To Agnes my daughter [folio 401d.] iij sylver sponys and one pare of amber beades with sylver gawdys and other jewellys at them aftyr the decesse of Elizabeth my wyff. To John Merylde my gedsun. To every one of my godchylldren iiijd. To William Stevenson vjs. viijd. To my syster Grace hys wyff vjs. viijd., and to every one of ther chylldren. To John Stevenson iijs. iiijd. To Stephen Woodhouse, hys wyff, and every one of ther chylldren. To Richerd Merylde, Thomas Hopster, Walter Gote. To our Lady in Wrangle churche vjs. viijd. To the buyldyng of Leeke steple iijs. iiijd. To the gyldyng of the xij apostellys of the roode lofte in Wrangle churche vjs. viijd. To William Pecoke off Borowe my swanne marke and my swannys duryng the tyme of ij yeres, and ij yeres beyng complete I will that Richerde my sun have di. of my swannys and halffe of my swanne marke. To Margaret Maltson. To Athelarde Mawnus. To John Carter ij acre and di. arable lande lying behynde Leke garthe duryng the tyme of my indenturys payng yerely vjs. viijd. I will that one pastur callyd Swetemere, and one pasture at the out Fendyke remayn in the handes of my executors the terme of iiiij yeres aftyr my decesse, and the money that comethe of them yerely be expendyd of one obbyt in Wrangle churche for my soule, the soulys of my parentes, and of them that I am bounde to pray for, with all crysten soulys, and iiiij yeres beyng complete I will that the ij forsayd pasturys remayn to Richerde my sun in fe symple. To Elizabethe my wyff one pasture callyd Gyldon Grene for the space of ij yeres nexte cumyng aftyr Candylmes accordyng unto the date of thys my wyll, and ij yeres beyng complete I will it remane to Richerde my sun duryng my yeres in it. To Richerde my sonne one pasture callyd Wat Hill unto the tyme that Agnes my daughter be xx^{tv} yeres of age, and then I will that Richerde my sun gyff to Agnes my daughter xxvjs. viijd., and so to enioy it in fe symple, and for lak of payment of xxvjs. viijd. I will that Agnes my daughter inioy and have it in fe symple. [folio 402] To Richerde my sun my ferme that I holde of m^r Sheffelde duryng my yeres in it as apperyth in indenture. To my wyff iiiij acre pasture lying nexte Symunde Gote duryng my yeres payng the rent for it. I will that all my goodes and bequestes to Richerde my sun remayn in the governaunce of sir Thomas Payndon duryng the tyme of ij yeres nexte aftyr my decesse, and aftyr to remayn to Richerd my sun. I bequethe the reste of my implementes pertenyng to the use of my house, [etc.], to Elizabeth my wyff, [etc.]. The reste of my goodes I gyff them to sir Thomas Payndon and sir John Woodhouse, whome I make my executors for to devyde them equally to Elizabethe my wyff, Richerde my sun, and Agnes my daughter. I will that sir Thomas Payndon have for hys labor xxvjs. viijd. and sir John Woodhouse for hys labor xiijs. iiijd. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Potter; sir John Wayd; William Stevenson; John Mawnus; Walter Gote; and Thomas Hopster; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Wyberton, 10 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD BURTON [OF WEST TORRINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 374d.]

4 August, 1531. I Richerde Burton of Westeryngton makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of Westeryngton besyde my fyrste wyff, with all suche dewtys as the lawe and custome reuiryth. To my curat sir John Isoke for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the churche warkes of Westeryngton ijs. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln vjd. To the high altare of the same churche vjd. To s^t Hugh hede iiijd. To the churche warke of Esteryngton iiijd. To the church warke of Westebarkeworthe iiijd. To the iiij orders of frerys in Lincoln xvjd. I will that my goodes all and singler be indifferently praysyd, and then I will that my dettes with other funeral expenses be payd of the hole, and the resydew then remaynyng to be devydyd in thre partes, that is to say one parte to my wyff, the secunde parte to my chyldren, and the thyrde parte to be dysposyd aftyr the myndes of my brethern, that is to say Thomas Burton off Syxill and Jamys Burton of Horncastre whome I make my executors, and my brother sir John Burton to be supervisor, and I will that they dispose the sayd thyrde parte as they thynke beste for my soule, my father and mother soulys, and all crysten soulys. Thes wytnesses, sir John Isoke vicar of Westeryngton; John Skelton; Robert Leyssyng of the same; sir William Stevenson of Lincoln; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 28 August, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM FROSTE [OF RIPPINGALE].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 198d.]

8 August, 1531. I William Froste of Repyngall make and orden my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the churche yerde of the churche of Repyngall dedicate in the honor off s^t Andro the postyll. To the parsons of the sayd churche to pray for my soule at high altare iiijd. To the parson of ij partes one stryke corne. To the parson of the thyrde parte one stryke corne. To our Lady warkes off Lincoln xd. To the fatherles chylder at s^t Catheryns [folio 199] with owt the citie ijd. To my daughter Elizabeth. To the churche of Aslakby ijd. To Thomas my servant. To the prior of Sempyngham viijd. To the ladys of Sempyngham they to pray for my soule ijs. To Agnes my wyffe halffe of all my goodes. The resydue of my goodes above not bequethyd and my dettes fyrste payd and my funeral expenses deductyd I gyff to Agnes my wyffe and to John my sun, whome I make my executors, and they to dispose it for the helthe of my soule. Wytnesses, sir Walter Mawde my gostly father; Richerde Sandall; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Bilchefelde, 21 October, 1533.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD COTTES [OF CONINGSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 377.]

11 August, 1531. I Richerde Cotes of Conesby makes my testament. To be buryd within the churche of s^t Michel tharchaungel of Conesby. To m^r Richerd Sydner parson of the sayd Conesby pro decimis oblitis iiijd. To the ornament of the high altare of the same ijd., and to the bellys of the same iiijd. To the warke of our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To every

one of iij gyldes, that is to wyt of the Trinite, of Corpus Christi, and of All Saintes ij*d*. To dane William Cotes my sonne xs. To Thomas Cotes my sonne xls. To every one of my godchylde*r* ij*d*. To Agnes Cotes my wyff the house with thappurtenances wich I dwell in duryng the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease to remayn unto Thomas Cotes my sayd sonne and to the heyres of hys body; and yff he fortune to dy withoutt heyres of hys body, then I will it remayn to the fyndyng of Jhesus preste at Conesby, and yff it may be sufferyd by the lawe. And yff the sayd house cannot be sufferyd be the lawe to be occupied unto the proffyt of the sayd Jhesus preste I will that it shall be solde aftyr the mynde of suche feoffys as in tyme heraftyr the sayd Thomas Cotes my sonne shall make, and the money takyn for it to be disposyd for the helth of my soule and of all my frendes soulys at the discrestion of the sayd feoffes. The resydue of all my goodes I bequeth to the sayd Agnes Cotes my wyff. I make my executors the sayd Thomas Cotes my sonne and Agnes Cotes my wyff. Witnesses, sir Walter Crofte our Lady prest; and sir William Porter Jhesus prest.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 20 November, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN LANCE [OF MARKET RASEN].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 286*d*.]

11 August, 1531. I John Lance of Estrasyn makyth thys my last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Thomas the apostill of Estrasyn. To the high altare of the same for my tithys negligently forgottyn viij*d*. To our Lady chappell of the same iiiij*d*, and to the gylde iiij*d*. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln ij*d*. I will that Jenet my daughter be with my wyff yf that she will; and yff she wylnot then my will is that the parson of Lyssyngton have the kepyng of her with my copy holde that lyethe in Lyssyngton and parte of my goodes accordyng to reason. To my wyff my copy in Estrasyn duryng her lyff, and aftyr her decease to Jenet my daughter dewryng my yeres. All my other goodes I will that my wyff have them, whome I make my executrix, she to dispose part therof for the helthe of my soule. Thes wytnes, syr William Langlay prest; Leonerd Holtby; with other.

Proved before P., at Estrasyn, 7 February, 1531-2.

JOHN NORFOKE [OF SANTON].
[STOW, 1531-56, p. 359.]

13 August, 1531. I John Norfoke of Santon, hole of mynde, and of good remembraunce, not knowinge the hower of deathe makes my will. My bodye to be buryed in the churche garth of st Bartylmewe of Appulbie. To the hye alter for oblacions and forgotten tythes viij*d*. To our Ladie of Lincoln' iiij*d*. To our Ladie of the holie bread awter iiij*d*. To Roberte Bysshope one amblinge foale. To William Norfoke one foale trottinge. To Margarett Colbye one redye cowe. To Elisabeth Norfoke one cowe and one meare. To Jenett Colbye one quye calfe, also to Roberte Othyll' one colt stagg. The residewe of all my goodes I geue to Margarett my wyfe, whome I make my executrix. Thes men beinge wittnes, sir Roberte Bakster; Aueray Bynlaye; Roberte Bysshoppe; Roberte Othyll'; John Nelson.

Proved before L., at Appulbie, 1 February, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF BRYAND BEYCH [OF THORGANBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 347d.]

18 August, 1531. I Bryan Beche of Thorganby makes thys my last wyll. My body to be buryed within the kyrke of All Halloys in Thorganby. To the altare of the same xiijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln xxd., and to our Lady warke viijd. To the kyrk of Thorganby vjs. viijd. To the chappell brygges vjs. viijd. To the priorisse of Irforth viijd., and to every nonne of the same iiijd. To st^t Mary kyrke of Bynbroke iijs. iiijd. To the kyrke of st^t Gabryell in the same xxd. To Croxby kyrke xijd. To Swynhope kyrke xijd. To Hatchlyff kyrke xijd. To WaldeNewton kyrke vjd. Also to a preste to syng for me and all my good frendes for halffe a yere xlvijs. viijd. I gyff all my lande in Bynbroke to Emot my wyff for terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease to Agnes my daughter and to the heyres of her body, and yff it fortune the sayd Agnes to dye withoutt suche issue then I will that William Beche my brother Robert sonne shall have the sayd landes for evermore. To Agnes my daughter xxv^t markes. To Helene Browne v markes. To Robert Browne. To Robert my brother. To William my servant. To Alyson my servant. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff to Emot my wyff, whome I make my executrix, and Jasper Sheffelde of Croxby to be supervisor, and he to have xs. for hys councell. Thes wytnesses, m^r John Gylby; syr Robert Gell; and sir William Kay; wyth other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 7 September, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN CURTES [OF DEEPING ST JAMES].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 283d.]

20 August, 1531. I John Curtes of Depyng st^t Jamys makes my will and last testament, [etc.]. My body to the holy cimiterie of st^t Jamys. And my mortuary aftyr the statute of Yngland. To the high altare ijs. To the Trinite gylde xijd. To st^t Jamys gylde xijd. To the bellys xvjd. To the plough light vjd. To every of the trellys lyghtes iiijd. To the churche warke viijd. To Jhesus gylde viijd. To our Lady of Multon chapell xijd. To st^t Catheryns chapell in Whaplode xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to the disposicion of my wyff and Robert my sonne, whome I make my executors [*folio 284*]. My nyghbors Richerd Smyth and Richerd Edwarde to be my oversears, and they to have for ther labors ich of them vjs. viijd. To John Thaker and to William Thaker his brother. Wytnes, sir Richard Buk vicar; John Bate; Nicholes Francy; William Bee.

Proved before P., at Stanforde, 6 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD JEFFERAY [OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 66.]

21 August, 1531. I Richerd Jeffray of Boston makyth thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche of st^t Botulphe in Boston, and that the churche reuiryth of right to be payd. To the high altare in Boston church xijd. To our Lady in Lincoln xijd. To the fatherles chyldren at st^t Catheryns without Lincoln iiijd. I will that Agnes my wyff have all my landes and tenementes lying and standyng in Frampton for terme of her lyff. I will that my wyff have all suche my

landes as lyeth in Wyberton duryng her lyff, and also the house that I bought of m^r Hough duryng her lyff, and aftyr her decesse it to remayn to Richerd Jefferay my sonne. I will that Richerd Tonerde surrendre the landes aforesayd beyng in copy holde in Frampton and Wyberton to the use of [folio 66d.] my wyffe duryng her lyff accordyng to thys my will. I will that Richerd Jefferay my sonne have the house that William Beel of Frampton dwellyth in with the appurtenances. Also I will yff it shall please allmyghty God to send my wyff yssue, and good delyveraunce of that chylde that she is with, to the plesure of allmyghty God, and yff it be a man chylde that then I will it have the house that one Walker of Frampton dwellyth in with all the grunde thereto belongyng, and also a nother house that I bought of John Richerdson my brother in lawe with viij acres of pasture thereto belongyng callyd Torman and Leke grenys, and also I will that it have a nother halff acre lying betwene m^r Arleker. I will that Richerd my sone have the house that I bought off m^r Hough aftyr the decesse of my wyff yff he come to laufull age, to have it in fee symple, and yff it fortune hym to dye afore he cum to laufull age, then I will that it remayn accordyng as all other thynges do before wryttyn. Also I will that the sayd Richerd have xl. I will that yff it please God that the other that my wyff is withall yff it be a man chylde that it have other xl. I will that yff the one of them dye afore that he comme to laufull age that then the other to be hys heyr, and yff fortune them bothe to dye then I will that the on halff of ther bequest remayn to my wyff and the other halff to remayn to my other chylder. To Agnes my eldest daughter vjl. xiijs. iiijd. I will that Jenet my daughter have so myche money in lyke maner. To Alson my yongest daughter as moche money in lyke maner. And yff it fortune yt please God that it be a woman chylde that my wyff is withall, then I will that she have as moche money to her parte as my other thre daughters have. I will that every of them be other heyre of the daughters, and if it be a woman chylde that my wyff is with, I will that the mother have fyve markes of the chyldes parte to bryng it up with all. To Richerd my sone a cople of kye and every one of my chylder a cople of kye. And yff it happen other of thes ij chylder to dy, that is to say Richerd my sonne and that at she is withall, that then I will that the one halff of the proffyt of the kye remayn unto my wyff. [folio 67] To William Richerdson my brother in lawe a yong qwyte and ij schepe. I will that Agnes my wyff do cause to be song for me and my father and mother and all my good frendes with all the soulys that I am bounde to pray for every Fryday duryng the space of a yere aftyr foloyng by a frere a messe of *Scala celi*. I will the day of my buryall that my wyff do cause to be sung for me xiij messys of *Scala celi* by xiij frerys. I will that they have to Frampton churche and to that thyng that moste nede requiryth xxs. I wyll yff it be a woman chylde that my wyff is withall I will that the lande afore rehersyd remayne to Richerde my sone, and yff he dye I will that it remayn to my other chylder, and yff it fortune all my chylder to dye then I will that the house that was John Richerdsons remayn to William Richerdson with the appurtenances, and the house that Walker of Frampton dwellyth in remane to John Jeffray sone of Roger Jeffray of Frampton, and the house that I bought of m^r Hough be at my wyff disposicion to sell and to dispose it for the helthe of my soule and hers and all crysten soulys as she thynkes moste necessary.

Also I will that the money that I have bequethyd unto my doughters afore rehersyd that it remane in the handes of Thomas Wormeslay within the space of iij yeres aftyr my decesse, and yff fortune them all to departe thys worlde wythin age that then I will that it be disposyd be my wyff and Thomas Wormesley as they thynke moste necessary for the helthe of my soule and thers and all xp'en soules. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff them unto Agnes my wyff, whome I do make my executrix. I make my cosyn Thomas Wormeslay of Frampton to be supervisor, and he to have for hys pane takyng xs. Beryng wytnes, Richerd Tonerd; Thomas Walthew; John Stevenson; and other mo.

Proved at Boston, 9 October, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF HUGH GULL [OF BURTON PEDWARDINE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 406.]

24 August, 1531. I Hugh Gull of Burton orden and make my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the churche yerde of the holy apostell st Andro of Burton. To the sacrament for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the chapell of our Lady xijd. To the reparacion of our mother churche of Lincoln xvjd. To the reparacion of the churche of Scredyngehton iiijd. To the reparacion of the sayd churche of Burton vjs. viijd. To every one of my chyldren, and to ichon of my doughters. To Alice my wyff my house and lande and medo set or lying in the towne feldes and medoys of Burton, Scredyngehton, and Hale the space of xxx yeres next aftyr my decesse. The reste of my goodes I put to the disposition of Alice my wyff and Robert Buller of Sleforde, whome I make my executors to bryng me honestly furth and bryng up my chyldren, [etc.]. Thes wytnes, sir Robert Peycock; sir Robert Jenkynson vicare of Burton; Simond Robertson; Richerde Hochenson; John Ledezerde; and other mo.

Proved before P., at Sleaford, 11 November, 1531. Administration granted to Alice the relict, reserving power to grant to Robert Buller the co-executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF EDWARD SMYTH [OF CLAYTHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 379.]

25 August, 1531. I Edward Smyth of Clathorpe in the parysh of Helloy makes my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the kyrkyerde of Helloy. To the high altare of Helloy for tithys forgottyn iij. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the kyrke of Helloy xs. To the kyrke of Aby xijd. To the kyrke of Awthorp xijd. To Edwarde Richerdson. To John Smyth my servant xiijs. iiiijd. To Agnes Est one calffe of thys yere wich is on sheddere calffe. To Thomas Garner my syster sonne xxvjs. viijd. To John Howde my godsone iiiijd. To Jenet Yong iiijd. To Edward Skrelby iiijd. To William Kerhus iiijd. To Jenet Hill iiijd. To Peter Pykryng iiijd. To William Tode iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to Alysan my wyff and Mathu Richerdson, whome I make my executors that they may dispose them for the helthe of my soule. I will that Mathew Richerdson have for hys labor the value of xls. Thes wytnes, Walter Browne; Thomas Kyrhouse; William Jakson; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 21 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF AGNES CAKSON [OF ADDLETHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 378d.]

26 August, 1531. I Agnes Cakson of Ardylthorp, videw, makes thys my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the church of Ardylthorp. To our Lady warke of Lincoln viijd. To the [folio 379] high altare of Ardylthorp for forgottyn tithys iiijd. To our Lady altare in the same church iiijd. To the Trinite altare iiijd. To the bellys in the same churche viijd. To the same for the fonte a basyn a laver and a towell to weshe folkes handes with when they crysten chylder. To the rode in the same church iiijd. To the church of Orby for reparacion xijs. iiijd. To s^t Peter churche of Ingolmelles a altare clothe. To Alice Goshawke the daughter of John Goshawk a red arke. To Jenet Kygges. The resydue of my goodes I will that my executors dispose them for the helthe of my soule and for all my good frendes soulys as they shall answer at the day of dome. I make Robert Walker and John Kygges my executors, they for to have for ther labors a pece vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, sir William Williamson my gostly father; John Skalflyd; Thomas More; William Pynder; with other moy.

Proved at Parteney, 21 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. WRYGHT [OF HUNDLEYB].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 372.]

26 August, 1531. I Thomas Wright of Hundylby, yoman, makyth thys my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the churche yerde of Hundylby, with that that the lawe dothe assygne to be my mortuary. To our Lady worke of Lincoln xijd. To the ryngers xijd. To the fyve lighttes in the churche of Hundylby xxd. To Alice my wyff in peny worthe v^l. To Thomas my sonne. To Alice and Elizabeth my doughters ijl. apiece, and yff it fortune other of my doughters to dy before they be xvij yeres of age I will that the parte of her that be ded do remayne to her that be a lyve; yff bothe dy before they be xvij yere I will that one of ther partes be disposyd be Alice my wyff for ther soulys and ther frendes soulys, and the other parte to remayne holy to Thomas my sonne. To everyone of my godchylldren iiijd. To Agnes Benne. To John my brother. To Thomas my sonne. To Libeus Smyth for wrytyng xijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alice my wyff, whome I make my executor.

Thys is the last will of me Thomas Wright mayd the day and yere abovesayd. To Thomas my sone all my landes, [etc.], to hym hys heyres and assygnes forever excepte suche landes, [etc.], as Alice my wyff hathe for the terme of her lyff as more playnly dothe appere in a dede feoffement. And aftyr her decease I will that all my landes remayn to the ryght heyres of me the sayd Thomas Wright for ever. I will that Xp'ofor Benne be supervisor. Whytnesses, sir Robert Dawson vicar off Hundylby; Xp'ofor Benne; John Sadler; Richerd Laueroke; Thomas Doukes of Hundylby; wyth many other.

Proved before P., at Bollyngbroke, 14 May, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT NORTHE [PARSON OF BRINKHILL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 377d.]

29 August, 1531. I sir Robert North, parson of Brynkyll, orders and makes my testament and last will. My body to be buried within the chauncell off Brynkyll, and that thynge that right is to be my mortuary. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. and to our Lady warke viijd. To the adornamente of the high altare of Brynkyll vjs. viijd. I will that xx. and xx. be put to the sepulcre light for my mother Jenet Northe. To Northreston churche wher my father dothe ly iijs. iiijd., and vjs. viijd. to be disposyd there, and the vicare to say messe and dirige for my father sole and for all the soulys that he dyd fare better for. To Castell Carlton iijs. iiijd. wherof I will the parson to have iiijd. for sayng placebo and dirige, and the resydw to be disposyd in bred and ayll. I will that the priorisse of Legburne have viijd., and every none in the abbey iiijd. for sayng placebo and dirige for my soule and all crysten soulys. To Haryngton churche xijd. To Ormesby churche xijd. To Bagenderby church vjd. To Soteby churche vjd. To every one of my godchylde iiijd. I will that ther be iij trentalles done for my soule, the soulys of my father and my mother, and for all crysten soulys, within one yere aftyr my departyng, and at my buryall day v messys of the v woundes of our Lorde God to be done, or within viij days aftyr. And at my viijth day and xxxth day in lyke maner done as at my buryall, or within viij days aftyr. To Robert Madder a basyn with a weshyng laver, my best thrawn chare, my bygest cownter, my hutche, a spruce cofer, [etc.]. To Jenet Elwolde my servant my worst syde gowne, vj dooblers, a brandyth, my gret red arke, [etc.]. To John Redenes [folio 378] the long arke that standyth in my chamber, [etc.]. To Helene Cokeryll. I will that the sayd Robert Madder, Jenet Elwolde, and John Redenes eqwally devyde emong them all my candylstykes. I will that all my smale tubbys be devyded emong them the sayd persons. To William Tewyll beyng blynde. To Jenet Madder. To Randall Madder. I will that John Grene of Brynkyll, John Crane, Thomas Grene, and Robert Grene of the same be my executors, and sir Thomas Carden parson of Soterby to be full executor wyth them and supervisor, and the sayd parson to have for hys labor and payn takyng my too best gounys, my best dooblet, my hoode, and my typyt of taffaytay. The resydue of my goodes I will that they be disposyd for the helthe of my soule and all my good frendes. Wytnes, sir Alan the curet of the sayd towne ; Robert Gybson ; Robert Madder ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 20 November, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM [sic] PYKKERYNG [OF WYBERTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 336.]

31 August, 1531. I John Pykkeryng of Wyberton make my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of st Leogerd in Wyberton. To our mother church of Lincoln ijd. To the orphans at st Catheryns without Lincoln ijd. To the high altare in Wyberton churche viijd. To our lady altare in the same churche iiijd. To st Catheryne altare in the same church iiijd. To st Anne altare in the same churche ijd. To Saundres my wyff one house lying in Halton the

terme of her lyff naturall, and aftyr her decease to remayn to John Pykeryng my sonne. I will that ther be disposyd for me at my buryall day, my viijth day, and my xxx^{ty} day xxs. To John Pykkeryng my sonne xxxs. to be delyveryd at xxij yeres of age. To Robert, Simond, and Richerd Pykryng my sonnes xxxs. apiece at the same age. And yff any of them dye before that age I will [folio 336d.] the part be equally devydyd emong them which shall fortune to lyve. And yff they all dye before that age then I will the money be disposyd for my soule and all crysten soulys within Wyberton churche by the supervisor of thys my last will. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to Saunders my wyff, whome I make my executrix. I will that Richerd Jetor of Wyberton and John Clymson of the same be supervisors, and ether of them to have iijs. iiijd. Whytnes, sir Richerd Stevynson pryst ; Richerd Dykynson ; and Roger Langrake ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. MARCHAND [OF KIRTON IN HOLLAND].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 296.]

I September, 1531. I Thomas Marchand of Kyrton Holm ordyns and makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the parysh church of st Peter and Paule of Kyrton. To the high altare for tithes forgottyn vjd. To our Lady altare there iiijd. To the Trinitie altare ijd. To st Catheryne altare ijd. To the church warke of Kyrton vjs. viijd. To owr Lady warke of Lincoln ijd. To the pore chylldren at saynt Catheryns without Lincoln jd. To a honest prest to syng for my soule and all my benefactors soulys in the churche of Kyrton one quarter of a yere xxvjs. viijd. To Phylip my sonne my messe with the appurtenances whch I dwell in and one acre of arable lande lying at Simond Were betwene the gret gate and the lyttaill gate, to hym hys heyres and assignes. To Margaret my wyff fowre acres pasture lying in Kyrton Meres with thappurtenances to helpe to the bryngyng up and fyndyng of my chylder unto the tym that Phylip my sonne cum to the age of xxj^{ty} yeres ; and then I will that the sayd Phylip have it to hym hys heyres and assygnes. To my wyff one acre and di. lande lying nere Simonde Were accordyng to her dede of feoffement, and iiijl., [etc.]. To Phylip my sone xl., [etc.]. To Agnes my daughter xl. I will they have ther sayd legaces when they cum to the age of xxj^{ty} yeres or ellys at the day of ther mariage. Yff other of them dye or they cum to that age or mariage, I will the survivor of them have bothe the hole legaces. Yff they bothe departe before the sayd yere I will bothe legaces be evynly devydyd emong my other chylder then lyffyng. And yff there be none then lyvyng I will it be disposyd for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys. To William my sonne vl. [folio 296d.] To Androwe my sonne vl. To Alice my daughter vl. To the chylde in my wyffes bely vl. I will the sayd chylldren have the sayd legaces when they cum to the age of xxj yeres or at the day of ther mariage. Yff any of them dye or they cum to the sayd age of xxj^{ty} yeres or att the day of mariage I will there parte or partes remayn to Margaret my wyff yff she be on lyve, or ellys to my other chylder then lyvyng. Yff all my sayd chylder dye withoutt issue of ther bodyes, Richerd sone of John Marchand my brother shall have one acre lande

lying at Simond Were betwene the gret gate and the lyttyll gate, to hym hys heyres and assignes. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Margaret my wyff. I orden my wyff and Phylip my sone executors. I orden John Marchand my brother and John Bennet of Swyneshed supervisors, and I will they have for ther labors vjs. viijd. Thes beyng wytnes, William Tonnerde; Xp'ofor Bennet; Richerd Tonnerde the elder; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 17 November, 1531. Administration granted to Margaret the relict, reserving power to grant to Philip the son when he shall come to lawful age.

THE TESTAMENT OF OLIVER TOYNTON [OF LISSINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 305d.]

2 September, 1531. I Oliver Toynton of Lyssyngton, seke in body, make my testament. My body to be buryed in the churchyeerde of st John Baptist of Lissington. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. To the high altare of the same vjd. To the high altare of Lissington for my tithys and oblaciōns forgottyn vjd. To the church warke of the same a quarter of wheate. To my brother John. To my syster Cecill. To the iiiij orders of freris in Lincoln. To Jenet Toynton my wyff halffe of my goodes, and the other halff to Henry Toynton my nevew the wich I make executor, and he to have for hys labor ijs. Thes beyng wytnes, sir John Stotte vicar; William Goderson; Robert Robenson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 22 September, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BENNET [OF KIRKBY BY KINGERBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 291d.]

4 September, 1531. I John Bennet of Kyrkby next Kynyerby makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the quere of st Androy off Kyrkby. To the high altare in the same quere for forgottyn tithis or oblaciōns yff ther be any xiijd. To the upholdyng of the churche body xiijd. I bequeth vjs. for fyndyng of a lampe to burne before the sacrament in the same quere for evermore from the begynnyng of all divine servys to the endyng therof. To the upholdyng of our Lady warke of Lincoln xiijd. To Kynyerby churche xiijd. To Owersby churche xiijd. To Ussylby churche xiijd. To Westrasyn churche xiijd. To bothe the churchys of Myddyl Rasyn, to other of them iiiijd. To one preste for sayng one trentall of messys for my soule and all crysten soulys xs. To every one of the canons off Ellesham abbay iiijd. To our Lady gylde of Boston iiijd. To my sonne Thomas my house in Kyrkby with all the appurtenances. And yff he dye within age off discretion then I will it be solde and devydyd emong my doughters. To my wyff the thyrde of all my moveable goodes. To my brother Anthony Bennet preste and to John Robynson other of them for ther labor vjs. viijd. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth it to my brother Anthony Bennet prest, to John Robynson, and to my wyff, whome I make my executors partely to dispose for my soule. Thes beyng wytnesses, Anthony Bennet prest; John Robynson; John Howdon; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 4 May, 1532. Administration granted to the executrix, reserving power to grant to the other executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF STEPHEN WOODHOUSE [OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 400.]

9 September, 1531. I Stephane Woodhouse of Boston make thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the ally before the sowthe churche dore of st Botulphe. I bequeath my mortuary as the lawe will require. I will that my funery be brought furthe with the iiiij orders of frerys, and every one of them to have for ther labor and payn iijs. iiijd. I bequeath too trentallys of st Gregory to be sayd at the iiiij orders off Frerys for my soule, my parentes, consanguinite and affinitie, and all crysten soulys by equall devision, and they to have every one of them vs. To our Ladys warke at Lincoln xijd. In oblation to the sacrament for tithys forgottyn in the churche of st Botulphe xijd. To the orphans at st Catheryns at Lincoln vjd. I bequeath one house in one strete callyd Bargat at Boston of the est syde of the water and in the Horsse market, towarde the est off st Peter gylde, towards the weste off John Roode, and towarde the sowthe of Lady gylde, and towarde the northe of the comun way, to Beatrix my wyff duryng her lyff, and aftyr her decesse I will that it remayn to William Woodhouse my sonne and to hys heyres and assygners. And yff William before namyd dy or he cum to laufull age I will it remayn to Catheryne and Alice my doughtters and to ther heyres and assygners. And yff other Catheryne or Alice my doughters dy I will it remayn to John my sonne preste and to the daughter that lyvþt aftyr the forme before. And yff bothe my doughtters beforenamyd decesse I will it remayn to my sonne [folio 400d.] John preste and hys assygners. I bequeath xxxl. of currant money or money worthe to be devydyd to my thre chyldren before namyd equally. I will that William beforenamyd have hys parte at the age off xxj^{ty} yeres, and my ij doughtters to have ther parte at the tyme of ther maryage or at the age off xx^{ty} yeres. Yff all my iij chyldren decesse or that they cum to laufull age the expensys of ther funeris dischargeyd I will that the reste of ther partes and bequestes do remayn to my sone John preste and to Beatrix my wyff, they to fynde one preste as long as the money will indure to pray for my soule, the soulys of my parentes, of my consanguinite and affynite, and for all crysten soulys. To Beatrix my wyff ij pasturys that I holde by indenture of Corpus Xp'i gylde duryng my yeres in them. To John my sonne preste one of my best furyrd gownys, [etc.]. To William my sonne my pewderer mowldes with all the pertinentes. To Richerd Whytebred and Agnes hys syster. The reste of all my goodes I bequeath to Beatrix my wyff, whome I make my executrix, and John my sonne prest whome I make my executor, and he to have for hys labor xxs. Thes beyng wytnes, William Garryt; Richerd Smyth; William Stubbys; and Thomas Cersy prest.

Proved before P., at Wyberton, 10 November, 1531. Administration granted to the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROGER SCHARPNEYFF, PERSON OF FARFORTHE.

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 382.]

10 September, 1531. I sir Roger Scharpneyff, parsonne of Farforthe, makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed within the parysh churche of Farforthe. To the high altare ther xijd., and to the sayd churche of Farforthe one acre barlie one acre peays, my portes and

manuel and a processioner. To the fyndyng of a light be fore our Lady at the southsyde of the sayd church vs. To our Lady of Lincoln xij*d.* To our Lady warke xij*d.* To Ruclande churche xij*d.* To Oxcome church xij*d.* To Scamelesby churche xij*d.* and to Gretham churche xij*d.* To m^r sir Xp'ofe Willughby, knyght, ij schepe to hys kytchyn, and to my lady Elizabeth hys wyffe ij hyves of beys, [etc.]. To m^r's Elizabeth her doughter a hyve of beys, [etc.]. To Thomas Kytchyn a hyve of beys. To Elizabeth Jakson, my servant, a flecte cowe, a westerne chyst, [etc.]. To every one of my godchylde iiiij*d.* To every one of my servantes then beyng iiij*d.* To Henry Blakwyne, Helene Wyngod, Alice Wynter, Roger Temple, Jenet late my servant. To Cursun wyff of Louthe. To Henry Deyne, yong John Red, Richerd Tayllor of Manby, John Pynson of Fulletby and hys wyff, Isabell Bawdre, Thomas Woodthorpe of Oxon otherwyse callyd Tayllor and Jenet hys wyff, Roger Woodthorpe sone of the sayd Thomas and my godsun, John Woodthorpe sone of the sayd Thomas, Margaret Woodthorpe hys syster. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to Thomas Woodthorpe, whome I make my executor. [folio 382d.] I will that Richerd Tayllor off Manby be jonyd executor, and he to have for hys labor iiijs. I will that my lady Willughby be supervisor, and to have for her payns vs. Thes men beyng wytnes, sir William Wade of Rucland, prest; John Lyll of Farfurth; and Henry Blackwen of the same; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Thuresby, 22 November, 1531. Administration granted to Thomas Woodthorpe, Richard Tayllor, the co-executor, having renounced.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD SHALLOK [OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 389*d.*]

11 September, 1531. I Richerd Shallok of Boston, husbandman. To be buried in the churche yerde of st Botulphe in Boston, and the churche to have the righte accordyng to the custome. To the highe altare in Boston xij*d.* To our mother churche of Lincoln xij*d.* To the fatherles and moderles chyldren at st Catheryns without Lincoln iiiij*d.* To our Lady of Walsyngham xij*d.* To John Shallok my sun a standyng laver, a basyn, ij cartes, all my croppe, catall, horssys, [etc.], excepte those catell heraftyr gyffyn to hys syster Rose, and they to kepe and luff togyder lyke naturall broder and syster. To John my sun my copy of my ferme duryng the terme of my yeres therin expressyd. To Rose Shallok my doughter iiiij kyen, ij burlynges, [etc.]. Yff it fortune the foresayd John my sun to decesse afore he cum to the age of xx^{ty} yeres and the foresayd Rose my doughter overlyff him, then I will that Rose have all the foresayd goodes at age or mariage; and yff it fortune the foresayd John to overlyff Rose [folio 390] or she cum to age or mariage, then I will that John have her parte. Yff bothe decesse or they cum to age or mariage, then I will the goodes be disposyd be my executors in dedes of almys and charite for the welthe of my soule, my fader moder my chyldren soules, my frendes soules, and all crysten soules. I will have iiij trentallys of messys songe for me and my wyff, our faders and moders, in thys maner of forme: I will that the preste shall syng Wedensday, Fryday, and Satterday in our Lady chapell at the altare of *Scala celi*, and of the Sunday in the quere of st Jamys. To Thomas Shallok my broder. To Robert

Sylam. To Richerde Leeke a gowne of sangwyn color, and to hys wyff. To Thomas Martyn wyff. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John Shallok my sun and Thomas Shallok my brother, whome I make my executors, and the foresayd Thomas to have for hys labor xxs., and Andro Shallok my cosyn to be supervisor, and he to have for hys labor xs. Thes beyng wytnes, Richerde Kychen ; John Thorpe ; John Percy ; with other mo.

Proved before P., 10 November, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WILLIAMSON [OF FISHTOFT].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 369.]

12 September, 1531. I John Williamson of the parysh of st^t Guthlak of Tofte makes my testament. My body to be buried within the parysh church of st^t Guthlak of Tofte, and for my mortuary that the kynges lawes will require. To the ornamenteis of the blesyd sacrament ther iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln xijd. To st^t Catheryns to the fatherles chyldren iiijd. To the rode lofte in Tofte churche xijd. To the Trinitie altare xxd. To our Lady altare xxd. To our Lady chappell standyng in the church yerde ther xxd. To the iiiij orders of frerys in Boston every on house xxd. I will that a trentall be song immediatly for my soule and all crysten soulys within the parysh church of Tofte. The resydue of my goodes I put them to the discretion of my executor sir John Tattersall, and he for to dispose them for my soule aftyr hys discretion. In wytnes heroff, sir John Facet ; William Dawson ; and Robert Dauson.

Proved before P., at Wyberton, 10 November, 1531, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT FOX [OF FISHTOFT].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 402.]

18 September, 1531. I Robert Foxe of the paryshe of st^t Guthlake of Tofte make thys my testament concludyng in it my last will. My body to be buried within the churche of st^t Guthlak, and for my mortuary as the kynges lawes shall requyre. To the anornament of the blesyd sacrament ther xijd. To the churche warkes ther xxd. To the roode lofte ther viijd. To our Lady warkes in the chapell standyng in the churche yerde ther vjd. To the goode and profytale warkes of our Lady of Lincoln vjd. [folio 402d.] To the fatherles chyldren of st^t Catheryne without Lincoln ijd. To Robert my sonne a greyd harche to remayn in my house for ever yff he lyff unto he cum or be at the age of xvij yeres. To Richerd my sun my best cote, [etc.], yff he lyff to he cum or be at the age of xvij yeres. To John my sun my best jakyt, [etc.], yff he lyff to he cum or be at the age of xvij yeres. To the chylde the whiche my chylde [sic] is with, yff it be a sun ij yong kye, [etc.], yff it lyff to he cum or be at the age of xvij yeres. And yff it fortune that any of my forsayd sonnys Robert, Richerde, and John to decesse or the cum at the age of xvij yeres, then hys parte decessyd to be equally devydyd emong them that overlyff. To Grace my doughter halff my housholde stuff with my wyff yff she lyff to she cum at the age of xvij yeres. And yff it be a doughter that my wyff is with, then I gyff it a yong cowe, [etc.], and halff the housholde with her syster yff it lyff to it cum at the

age of xvij yeres. To Robert Theker. To Jenet my wyff my best carte, my ploughe, a new corte, with all the harnys belongyng to the same as long as she keyps her sole ; and she fortune to mary, then the carte with the harnys to remayn to Robert my sonne, and the plough with the harnes to remayn to Richerde my sun, and the corte to John my sonne. I will that a trentall be sung in Tofte churche for my soule and all my good frendys soulys immediatly aftyr my decesse. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Jenet my wyff, whome I make my executrix, and Robert Theker to be supervisor, and to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Thes beyng wytnes, sir John Tatersall ; Laurence Bustarde, Thomas Snell, and John Carre of Tofte ; with other mo as nede shall requyre.

Proved before P., at Wyberton, 10 November, 1531.

AGNES REMINGTON [OF TORKSEY].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 357.]

18 September, 1531. I Agnes Remington, wydowe woman, of Harwicke wth in the parishe of st^t Marye of Torkseye, hole of mynde and of good memorye, makes my testament. My bodye to be buried wth in the churche yearde of st^t Mary of Torksaye wth my mortuarye as the custome requiers. To our Ladye of Lincoln' ijd. To st^t Hewgh head of Lincoln' ijd. To the monasterye of st^t Leonerdes iiijd. To Thomas Remington my sonne and to John Remington otherwayes called Jenken each v markes of lawfull monye of England or in money worthe, and a quay of ij yeares of age for ther childs partes. Residewe of all my goodes not bequeathed my will fulfilled and deducted for to dispose for the healthe of my sowle I geue vnto John Remington my eldest sonne, whome I ordeyne my executour, and sir John Cowell' the prior of Torksaye to be the supervisor. Thes wittnes, sir Richard Robinson vicar of Torksaye ; Thomas Thorpe ; sir Roger Grander ; John Hatterton ; and other moe.

Proved before L., 16 October, 1531. Administration granted to the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF JAMES ROWE [OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 335.]

22 September, 1531. I Jamys Rowe make thys my last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerde in Boston in the hally be my brother. To the high altare in Boston vjd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the fatherles chyldren of st^t Catheryns of Lincoln iiijd. To Margaret my wyff the house that Jenet Wetton wonys in with the mylne with all as it standes, terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease I will that George Rowye my sonne have the sayd house with the mylne as it standes. I will my wyff have the mylne that standes in Sutton howys the terme of her lyff, payng yerely to Sutton harys for the house that the mylne standes in iiijs. I will that the sayd mylne remayne aftyr her decease to George Rowe my sonne. To iiij of my sonnys chylder iiiij calvys, iche of them to be other heyr. I make my wyff and my sone George Rowe my executors. I make William Pynchbek my supervisor, and he to have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Whytnes, John Barnoby ; John Barker ; and Charlys Howson.

Proved at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

JOHN WELLES [OF FILLINGHAM].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 358.]

22 September, 1531. I John Welles, husbandman, of the towne of Fillingham, of hole mynde and memorye make my testament. My bodye to be buryed in the churche yearde next vnto my wyfe. Vnto the hye alter for forgotten tythes or any other dutyes to the churche ijs. To the churche of Fillingham iijs. iiijd., and to the worke of our mother church of Lincoln' xxsd. To William my sonne two stottes, and Alexander my wifes sonne two calues. To John my sonne one calfe. To Richard my sonne one calfe. To Agnes my daughter one hayforthe. To every one of my godchilder iiijd. To my father in lawe Walter Warde, John Warde my brother in lawe, Thomas Wyndall' and William Welles my brother halfe a quarter of wheate apiece. To Agnes Barrowe my seruante halfe a quarter of barlye. To John Gilbons my seruante halfe a quarte of barlye. To Isabell Wilforde a strike of barlye. I will that my wyfe haue my take of the prior of Gokwyll' as longe as she is wydowe, and yf she marrye then to remayne to my sonne William Welles, and yf he do not occupye yt him selfe I will that my wyfe shall occupye yt. I wyll that my wyfe shall occupye my howse that I dwell in wth all the appurtenaunce for my terme. The residewe of all my goodes I geue to Margarett my wyfe and William Welles my brother, whome I make executors to dispose for the healthe of my sowle as they shalbe expedient. I make Walter Warde my ouer seer. Wittnes, mayster Thomas Cyssun parson of the aboue rehersed Fillingham; sir Rob'te Tofte parische prest; Thomas Westfeild; Thomas Wyndyll'; William Westfeild; wth other moee.

[No probate act.]

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT JOHN' [OF HOLE IN THE PARISH OF CLEE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 281d.]

26 September, 1531. I Robert John' of Hoyll in the paryche of Clee maykes my testymynt. My body to be buryyd in the chyrche yerd of the Holy Trynyte of Clee. To ower Lady of Lyncone viijd. I wytt to sanct Hew Heyd iiijd. To my paryche chyrche of Clee xijd. To the awter of the same chyrche iiijd. To the chyrche of sanct Egidij [*i.e.* Giles] of Scarthow xijd. I wyll that Robert Jonson my son have hys land sawne of all maner of grane, with a pluythe and a cowlter and a shaer, and a wane with a joke, [etc.], and hys rentes payd for the fyrist 3ere, and hys mother to mayk hys part of hys dyner of her cost and charge at the day of hyr marryge, [etc.]. I wytt to Kateryne my dowghter iijl. vjs. viijd. to be payd ewther in penny or in penny worthe. To Margarytt my dowghter, Wylliam my son, Alyson my dowghter, and Henry my sonne xls. apiece. To that chyld that my wyffe ys withall. To Thomas Suddebe my servant. The resydew of my guddes I wytt to An Jonson my wyff and Robert Jonson my son, qwome I mayk my exequyteres for to dyspose for the helthe of my sawyll. Theys wytnessys, sir Robert Lanam curytt; John Awdman of Hoyll; Thomas Dune of Clee; Wylliam Coolbe of the same; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 14 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM NORTHOKE [OF DENTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 366.]

28 September, 1531. I William Northfoke of Denton, seke in the body make my last will. My bonys to be buryed in the kyrke yerde of st^t Androy of Denton. To our Lady off Lincoln viijd. To the high altare of st^t Androy for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the kyrke of st^t Androy xijd. To the church of Harlaxton xijd. To the frerlys of Grantham xijd. To a honeste preste for halffe a trentall off messys vs. for the helthe of my soule. Agnes my wyff to be executrix, and Laurence Castrophe to be my supervisor. Wytnes, sir Richerd Wylson; John Wellynger.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 17 October, 1531, by the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN NELSON [OF CLAYTHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 379d.]

2 October, 1531. I John Nelson of Clathorpe in the parysh of Helloy makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church-yeerde of Helloy. To the high altare of the churche of Helloy for forgottyn tithys viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To the reparacion of the bellys of Helloy iijs. iiijd. To the church of Aby viijd. To the church of Awthorpe iiijd. To every one of my yong chylder, that is to say John, Thomas, and Margaret, xiijs. iiijd. each [folio 380]. I will that every one of thes chylder be others heyr, and yff it fortune that thes chylder dye before that they be of laufull age, I will that the forsayd goodes remayn to the church of Helloy. To Isabell my doughter. To my mother. To st^t Peter chapell iiijd. The resydue of my goodes not wit nor gyffen I gyff them to Thomas Nelson and Isabell my wyff, whome I make my executors. Thes wytnes, William Hope; Richerd Taler; and other moy.

Proved at Parteney, 21 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT DERBY [OF THURLBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 284.]

3 October, 1531. I Robert Derbye makes my testament and last will, [etc.]. My body to be buryed within the church yerde of st^t Fyrmyn within the parysh of Thurlby. To the high altare iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln ijd. To the bellys iiijd. To John Geste and Nicholes my sonne. To Mathew my sonne. To Margaret and Elizabeth my doughters. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alice my wyff, who I make my executrix to dispose my goodes for the helthe of my soule. I constitute William Harby my supervisor. In wytnes herof, Nicholes Watson; John Elys; William Elred; and Robert Bate. I will that my wyff shall have my house to Michelmes cum ij yeres, and then to John Geste.

Proved before P., at Stamford, 6 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. LEDYS [OF NETTLETON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 280.]

3 October, 1531. I William Ledys makes my wyll. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st^t John of Netylton. To my curet to pray for me iijs. iiijd. I gyff a cow to the parysh churche of saynt John

of Netylton, and another to the parysh churche of Feryby. And I will that with thes ij kye be ij lyghttes founde afore the image of our Lady of Piety in other of the forsayd churchys on. I will that sir Thomas Alynby say a trentall of messys for me within the parysh church of Netylton. To my godsun Thomas Clerke, and to every on of hys brether and systers. To John Webster son. To every godchylde that I have within my parysh wher I wone iiijd. To the parysh churchys of Northkelsay, Sowthkelsay, Howton, Claxby, Normanby, Thuresway, Rothwell, Caborne, Castre, iiijd. each. I make my wyff and Alice my doughter my hole executors, and I wyll that Robert Clerke be supervisor and helpe them in ther besynes. To our Lady of Lincoln warkes xijd. To every on of John Cowtes chyldren. To Thomas Pawtener. To the high altare off st John of Netylton viijd. Thes wytness, John Stowper; Thomas Frankes; and John Sotheby; with other.

Proved before P., at Castre, 13 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. FOSTER [OF LINCOLN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 247.]

4 October, 1531. I Thomas Foster of the citie of Lincoln, tileburner, seke in body, ordens my last will and mynde. My body to be buryed within the churche yerde of st Botulphe besyde my sonnys. To the churche warkes for my forgottyn tithis M tylys. To the warke off our Lady of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To John Watson one stokkyd dooblyt, [etc.]. To Richerde Wellys iijs. iiijd. To Thomas Johnson my servant a M breke tile. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff to Cecile my wyff, whome I do make my executrix, and I will that sir John Shakyllton prest be my supervisor, and to have for hys labor xxs. Wytnes, John Watson; Richerd Wellys; with other mo.

Proved in the cathedral church of Lincoln, 22 March, 1531-2.

TESTAMENTUM ROBERTI WARDON [DE LONG BENNINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 292d.]

In Dei nomine Amen iij^o die mensis Octobris anno domini M^o quingentesimo xxxi Ego Robertus Wardon de Benyngton husbandman compos mentis et sane memorie condo testamentum meum in hunc modum; In primis do et lego animam meam Deo Patri omnipotenti beate Marie ac omnibus sanctis; corpus que meum sepeliendum in cimiterio sancti Swythini de Benyngton predicta Item lego altari beate Marie vjd. Item altari sancti Thome vjd. Item reparacionibus ecclesie de Benyngton iijs. iiijd. Item cawsy xvijd. Item to the fen brig ijd. Item reparacionibus ecclesie de Lincolnia xijd. Item lego v gildis de Benyngton xxd. Item lego ecclesiis de Cottam, Freston, Staynton, Westburgh', Dodyngton, Alyngton, Valdenewton, Normanton, cuilibet earum ecclesiarum ijd. Item lego idoneo presbitero xxiijs. iiijd. ad celebrandum pro anima mea. Item lego Obseruantibus de Newarke vnum modium frumenti. Item lego Johanni Panne vnam vaccam. Item cuilibet puero de Pannys vnam ouem. Item Johannis Hunt cuilibet puero vnam ouem. Item Thome Hunt vnam ouem. Residuum vero bonorum meorum non legatorum do et lego Agneti vxori mee Johannii Gamill Michaeli Gylberde quos constituo

et ordino meos veros et legitimos executores et Ricardum Ysac meum supervisorem. Hiis testibus Ricardo Smyth vicario Johanne Hunt et aliis etc.

Proved before P., at Ancaster.

JOHN STAMPE [OF SCUNTHORPE].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 273.]

8 October, 1531. I John Stampe of Saunthorpe [*sic*] wth in paro-chinge of our Ladye of Frothingham hole of mynd seeke of bodye makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed wth in the church of Frothingham. To our Ladye worke of Lincoln' ijs. To the hye alter of our Ladye of Frothingham ijs. To the gray fryers of Grimsby ijs. iiijd. To the Augustine fryers ijs. iiijd. To Katheryne my daughter a cewe wth calfe. To William Stampe the sonne of Roberte vj sheringes and tow quarters barlye. To William Wightman children v shepe. To a prest to singe for the space of a quarter of a yeare xxs. To William Wightman wyfe a vyolett gowne. To Roberte Stampe a gowne of russett. Vnto Thomas Stampe a spitt a cownter a payre of quernes a chist and a lead. Vnto John Stampe my sonne a crofte called Cobb crofte for the space of xxxix^{tie} yeris. Vnto William Stampe, John Stampe, W^m Wightman, and Roberte Stampe, whome I make superiuisors vjs. viijd. Vnto Roberte Stampe xxvjs. viijd. that restes in Thomas Kelkes handes. The residewe of my goodes I geue vnto Ellen Stampe my wyfe and Thomas Stampe, whome I make my executores that they order and dispose for the health of my sowle as it may please God. Thes beinge wittnes, Thomas Crofte; William Ruston; John White; John Patricke.

Proved before L., 11 December, 1531. Administration granted to Elen and Thomas the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS VYNCENT [OF WALTHAM].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 14.]

8 October, 1531. I Thomas Vincent of Waltham makes my testament and laste will. My body to be buryed within the churche of All Halloys of Waltham, with that at be due to the churche at the lawe will requyre. To the high altare within our mother churche of Lincoln iiijd. To our Ladys warke in the sayd churche viijd. To the high altare within the churche of Waltham for forgottyn tithys xxd. To the bellys iiijd. To iij lighttes in the sayd churche, one afore the roode, one afore our Lady, and one afore st Catheryne, everychon of them ijd. To our Ladys light in the high qwere iiijd. To John my sun a house callyd Bawkoc thying with lande and medoys thereto belongyng lying within the towne and the feldes of Waltham, and fyve acres of lande to sawe be yere callyd Abbot lande with the medoys and the purtenaunce, and iij landes arable callyd Horton lande, and too acres of lande arable of the oder syde of the felde on acre late John Stebyn lande to hym and to hys heyres for ever. To Richerde my sun x acres of lande sown, a shod wayn, a bewyll, a plugh, [etc.]. [folio 14d.] To Ane my doughter. To William my sun. To George my sun. To Robert my sun my housses landes medoys that I have within the towne and felde of Scarthaw, to hym and to hys heyres for ever. To Agnes my wyff the thyrdes of all my landes for the terme of her lyff,

and the sayd Agnes to helpe to bere the thyrde of the costes and chargeys of reparacions. To Edmunde my sun a mete borde, a bynke borde, a blake oke forme, a chare, a blake arke, the grettiste, a dysh bynke, a basyn, a laver, [etc.]. I wyll that yff any of my chyldren shulde fortune to stande nede to sell any porcion of ther houses or landes that they shulde sell on to another yff any of them will by and that they shulde have it before any other. To John Lamme my servant. To Catheryne Wylson. The resydue of my goodes not wyt I bequethe to Agnes my wyff, whome I make my executor at she may dispose it for the helthe of my soule. I make m^r Richerd Waterton the elder the supervisor, desyeryng hym to be good to my wyff and to my chyldern for to helpe theym in ther right. Wytnes herof, sir William Yeff; sir John Clerke; Simon Howson; Richerde Asbye; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Grymesby, 18 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN CARTER [OF YARBOROUGH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 275.]

9 October, 1531. I John Carter of the parysh of Yarburgh ordens and makes this my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the churche yerde of my parysh churche. To the high altare xx*d*. To our mother church warke of Lincoln iii*jd*. To our Lady of Lincoln iii*jd*. To my parysh churche xv*jd*. To Johan my wyff. To William and Thomas my sonnes; to Jenet and Cecile my doughters; I will that they have other of them vi*s*. viii*jd*. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to William my sonne, whome I orden my executor. In wytnes herof, William Mawer; Percevell Holland; and Thomas Paiteson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Louthe, 17 April, 1532.

JOHN BLACKBORNE [OF STAINTON WADINGHAM].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 276.]

12 October, 1531. I John Blackborne, hole of mynd, seeke in bodye, makes my will after this manner. My bodye to be buried in the church yeard of st Peters of Staynton Waddingham. For my mortuary as the lawe will requier. To the hye alter of st Peters of Waddingham i*jd*. To our Ladye in the same church i*jd*. To our Ladye worke of Lincoln' iii*jd*. To our Ladye light in the church of Busshoppton' i*jd*., and i*jd*. to the light afore Alhalowes in the same church. I will that Thomas Bennett haue my tawnay jackett after my death. I will that Jelian my [page 277] daughter haue one read calfe, and Ellyn my daughter haue one read calfe wth a sterne in the head, and the same Ellen shall haue a nombre after the death of her mother. The rest of my goodes not geuen I will that Agnes my wyffe haue, whome I make myne executrix to dispose my goodes as she thinkes best for the health of my sowle and all christian sowles. I will that Thomas Kyrke and Barnard Pekeringe be the supervisors to see that my wyffe haue no wronge. Be it remembred that Roberte Blackborne dwellinge in Berkwth in Ellmett dothe owe me a gowne the price xx*s*. and ii*j* syluer sponnes. Thes beringe wittnes, Rycherd Phillippe; William Wilkinson; wth other mooe.

Proved before L., [blank] February, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. SWANE [OF METHERINGHAM].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 376d.]

15 October, 1531. I Thomas Swanne of Metryngham make and orden thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Wylfryde in Mettryngham. To the high altare of Mettryngham, iijs. iiijd. To Welton churche viijd. To Dunham churche iijs. iiijd. To Scothorne churche xijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iijs iiijd. To Edwarde Swanne. To Elizabeth Swanne a dowyd qwe. To Jenet, John, Isabell, Helene, and Alice Swanne xjs. iijd. To William Hill. To Richerd Storre. To Helene Rygyll. To John Skyllingthorpe. To Edward Swanne a house in Dunham and xlth acres lande and medoy aftyr the decesse of hys father and mother, and then he to have it yff he will be orderyd by them or ellys they to gyff it where it shall please them. I will that a trentall of messes be done for my soule and all crysten soulys. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to Robert Swanne my sonne, whome I make my executor. Thes beryng whytnes, Jamys Lendesay; Thomas Jakson; John Thomson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 7 June, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN CARTER [OF THEDDLETHORPE ALL SAINTS].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 269d.]

18 October, 1531. I John Carter of Thedilthorpe, husbandman, mak this my testament and last wyll. My body to be beryd within the parriche churche of Alhawlos in Thedylthorpe. To the hethe awlter of the saide churche of Thedylthorpe xxd. I gyf towardes the reparacions of the cathedrall churche of our blessyd Lady of Lincoln xvjd. To the reparacions of the churche of Alhawlos in Thedylthorpe xxs. I geue towardes the reparacions of the stepyll of the parache churche of sant Elyn in Thedylthorpe ix. vjd. To Margaret my wyff [folio 270]. To Robert Cartar my sowne in monye. To Thomas my sone, John my sone, and Margaret my dowther in monye xijl. vjs. viijd. apiece. I geue to on ownyst and wyll dysposyd prest to syng for my sowle and all my frendes sowles duryng the space of j zere next after my decesse v. vjs. viijd. To Elyn my dowther xxxvs. xd. To Jenet Carter my broders dowther. To iiiij chelderer of Elyn my dowtheres evere on off thame vjs. viijd. To every one of my godchelder vjd. I wyll that my sayd wyffe have and in joye for therme of hyr lyfe all and synguler suche londes wyche of late tyme I have purchessyd, geuyng to Robert my sone owt of the sad landes zerely xxvjs. viijd., he beyng ordared be my sayd wyffe, Thomas Skypwythe off Outerby swyre, and my executores, and after her decease I wyll they remane to Robert my sowne and to hys ares, geuyng to John his broder owt off the sayd landes zerely xxs. towardes his fendyng, he beyng ordared and rowlyd by his moder and the executures dowryng the lyffe of the sayd John; and yff itt hawpyng the sayd John to decesse with owtynge ares, than I wyll that xxs. zerely of the sayd landes geuyn to the sayd John remane to Thomas my sowne and his ares, and yff it hawpyng the sayd Thomas my sawne to decesse and dy with owtynge ewchow, than I wyll that all my sayd purched landes remane to my next ares for ever. I wyll and dessyer all my feores sesyd of and in my sayd landes make a state acording to this my last wyll.

The ressydu of all my gudes I geue to Robert my sowne and John Wythe, whome I make my executures to dyspose thame as tha schall thinke best, by my supervisure Thomas Skepwithe swere to the plesur of God performance off this my testament and last wyll and profyt of my sowle. Wytnessys, Arthur Ormesbe gentylman; Wylliam White; John Rowdill; Martyn Harpam; with other.

Proved before P., at Alford, 16 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT CLONY [OF SPALDING].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 8.]

18 October, 1531. I Robert Clony of Spaldyng makes my last will and testament. [folio 8d.] My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of our blesyd Lady and st^t Nicholes agenst the weste dore in Spaldyng. To the high altare in oblacion to the holy sacrament for tithys forgottyn xx^d. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vijd. To the roode light in the paryshe churche of Spaldyng ijd. To st^t Thomas light off the same churche ijd. To the Holy Goste light ijd. To st^t Sythe light ijd. To the paryshe churche warkes of Spaldyng iijs. iiijd. To my lorde the prior of Spaldyng vjs. viijd., and to the conuent of the same place vjs. viijd. To Richerde my sun. To Richerde my brother. To Thomas Jeze. To Thomas Preste my medlay cote. To Robert Warde my servant xxs. to be payd at the age off xx^w yeres. To sir John Poynton a boke callyd the Byble. To Agnes my wyff all my landes that be intalyd the terme of her lyff, and also a house that I bought whiche was Swannys nexte vnto my house that I dwell in, the terme of her lyff, also v acres of lande ij garthynges stedes and a grene that I bought whiche was sumtyme Ranson landes, the space of her lyff, and aftyr her decesse I will that the thre acres that lyethe together remayn in my feoffys handes to the vse and proffyt of the Trinitie gylde in Spaldyng foreuer, and the deanys of thys gylde at that tyme beyng shall with the rent of thys landes cause one obyt to be kepyd euer of the day aftyr all saulys day with dirige ouernyght and messe of the nexte morow for my soule and Agnes my wyff soule, my graunsyr and grandom soulys William and Alice, my father and mother soulys Thomas and Catheryne, my wyff father and mother soulys Watkyn and Cecily, the chargeys of thys shall be iijs. iiijd., of the whiche xijd. of it shall be bestowyd in ferthying bred and gyffyn to pore people in the churche when dirige is done. The resydue of thes v acres ij gartyn stedes and a grene my wyff to gyff or to sell as she shall please. And aftyr the decesse of Agnes my wyff I will that Richerd my sun haue all my landes that be intalyd to hym and hys heyres, and a house that I bought nexte unto my wonnyng house to gyff or to sell, he payng xls. that I do awe for the same house when it shall be axyd. The resydue of my goodes [folio 9] I gyff them to Agnes my wyff, whome I make my executrix to pay my dettes and to fulfyll thys my present testament as it shall be moste pleassyng vnto God and helthe vnto my soule; and Peter Butler to be my supervisor, and he to haue for hys labor and besynes iijs. iiijd. Thes men to wytnes, sir John Poynton; Thomas Keydbe; Thomas Jere; Robert Wellys; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 27 March, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN JOHNSON [PARSON OF BEESBY].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 360.]

18 October, 23 Henry VIII, 1531. I John Johnson, parson of Beysby, do make my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the high quere of the churche of st Androy of Beysby. To our Lady warke of Lincoln ijs. To the doctor of the Gray frerys of Lincoln a mazer. To the Augustyn frerys of Grymesby ijs. vjd. To Robert Fen and Alyson his wyff. To pore folkes of my oown paryshon. To the sayd Robert and Alyson his wyff vj sylver sponys, my hawmbray, my leade, [etc.]. To the sayd Robert Fen and Alyson his wyff my lyttyll crofte duryng the terme off my yeres, and all my hay. To John Prentofte, To sir Androy Billesby knyght one dunned mare with a foole and one stagge and one soverayng of golde. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to the sayd sir Androy Billesby knyght, whome I make my executor to dispose for the helth of my soule and all crysten soulys, by the oversight of Walter Malteby and John Bell, whome I make my supervisores, and they to have for ther labors vjs. viijd. each. Wytnes, sir William Hopkynson prest; Thomas Pynder of Beysby; John Ruddyll of the same; and John Pynder of the same; wyth other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 1 January, 1531-2, by the executor.

TESTAMENT OF RICHERDSON [OF BURTON PEDWARDINE].
 [L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 12d.]

18 October, 1531. I Richerdson of Burton orden my testament. My body to be buried in the churche yerde of the holly appostyll st Andro of Burton, and my mortuary as the lawe dothe assygne. To the sacrament in the same churche for tithys forgottyn viijd. To the reparacions of our mother churche of Lincoln vjd., and to the fatherles chyldren of st Catheryne iiijd. To Thomas Stottarde my plough with the tyrementes that belongs to it [etc.], and the said Thomas shall fynde my wyff meate wynter and somer. To the schode frerys in the towne of Boston. The reste of all my goodes I put to the disposicion of Catheryne my wyff and Thomas Stottarde, whome I make my executors. Thes wytnes, sir John Gylden; sir Robert Peycocke; and other mo.

Proved before P., at Sleaford, 11 April, 1532, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM CAVALL [OF WAINFLEET].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 268.]

19 October, 1531. I William Cavall of Waynflet makes my testament. My body to be buried in the churche of All Halloys of Waynflet. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the high altare in the churche of All Halloys of Waynflet xijd. To the ornementes of Mary Magdalene in the sayd churche vjd. To the ornementes of our Lady in our Lady quere in the sayd churche vjd. To the bellys in the sayd churche xvjd. I will that the ixs. that I have in my handes of my prentisse be mayd xxs. To my father vjs. yerly duryng hys lyff to pay hys house rent withall. I will have a prest to syng at Allhalloys churche be the space of halff a yere for my soule and for the soulys off all my benefactors and all crysten soulys. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Emme my wyff to dispose for my soule and hers as she thynkes best, whome I make my executrice, and

my dere m^r Rawff Grene supervisor. Thes beryng wytnes, sir William Gorell; Thomas Mannyng; William Whythode; and other.

Thys is the last will of me William Cavell of Waynflen mayd ther the xix day off October, 23 Henry VIII. I will that my feoffys that be infeoffyd or heraftyd shall be infeoffyd in all my landes and ten'tes, stande infeffyd to the use of thys my last will. I wyll that Emme my wyff have the house that I dwell in, and all the landes thereto belongyng or takyn be copyholde or be indentur, to her and her assynges for ever. To Emme my wyff the house that I bought of Isabell Franke to her and her assynges for ever. Thes beryng wytnesses, sir William Gorell; Thomas Mannyng; William Whythode; and other.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 15 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD QWYTTYNGHAM [OF SUTTERTON].

[L.C.C. 1520-31, f. 342d.]

22 October, 1531. I Richard Qwyttyngham of Sutterton makes my testament. My body to be buried in the holy churcheyeerde of our blessed Lady of Sutterton by the chauncell dore at the chauntry quere ende and my mortuary aftyr the statutes nuly orderyd. To our mother churche of Lincoln iijd. To the orphans of s^t Catheryns wythowt the wallys off Lincoln ijd. To the high altare of our blessed Lady of Sutterton for tithys negligently forgottyn xvjd. To the honornamente of euery altare wt in the same churche iijd. To the churche warke ther xx. To the sepulcre light in the same churche iijd. To the light callyd All Saulys light wythin the same churche iijd. To every light comptable wt in the same churche ijd. To [folio 343] euery light vncomptable jd. I will my executors do bring me forthe at my buryall day and cause to be done at my vijth day and xxxth day solempe placebo, dirige, and messe with other chargys of almys necessary to the pore people to be at the discretion of them. I will my executors pay or cause to be payd towarde the stipende and wagys of one seculare preste sayng messe afore our swete Lady of Soterton the space and terme of xij yeris nexte foloyng aftyr my decesse euery yere vs. To the iiiij clausters of freris in Boston to euery claster ijs. vnder thys condicion that euery order when they have the sayd ijs. payd to them then I will immediatly they do solempe placebo, dirige, and messe in the mornyng praying for my soule and all crysten soulys. To Margery my wyff vj mylke kye of the best, xij yowys, and ther lammys of the best, ij horsys of the best, [etc.], all my houshalde stuff not bequethyd nor gyffyn all my croppys throsshyn and vnthrosshyn and all my flax digit and vndight. The residewe of all my other catallys aftyr my dettes be payd and my legacy fulfyllyd be evynly devydyd in valor and porcion betwene William Qwyttyngham and Roger Qwyttyngham my sonnys. Also I gyff to William Qwyttyngham my sone one jacke, one pare of splentes, ij of my best gownys, one bed as it standes in the parler with the curtens and coveryng, as porch colys, one ambre, one chaffer, one payntyd hallyng in the hall, one bordyd chare, one thrayne chare, one horse mylne as it standes, and iiijl. laufull money starlyng; also after the decesse of Margery my wyff hys mother the best harness gyrdyll yt was masterys Norton. To Roger Qwyttyngham my sone one sallyt, one gorgyt, one bill, [etc.], and iiijl. laufull money sterlyng; also aftyr the decesse off Margery my wyff hys

mother the secund harness gyrdyll y^t was masteres Norton. To John Qwytyngham vjs. viijd. To Isabell Goodhale one matteres, [folio 343d.] the lynyn that was her awntes, [etc.]. I will y^t William Qwytyngham and Roger Qwytyngham my sonys be at the gouernyng and the putting forthe of Margery my wyff ther mother by the ouersyght aund good councell of sir Henry Norton, sir John Wright, and sir William Wright, prestes, to the honesty, welthe, and moste proffyt of the forsayd William and Roger vnto they cum to and be the age of xvij yeres, or ellys the day of ther mariage yf it fortune them or other off them to be maryed afore the age of xvij yeres. And I will that all the goodes catalys and money to the forsayd William and Roger in thys my present testament bequethyd be at and in the discretion and custody of Margery my wyff ther mother to ether of them cum to and be the sayd age of xvij yeres or ellys at the day of ther mariage. Provydyd y^t yff it fortune that Margery my wyff at any tyme aftyr my decesse be maryd afore the sayd William and Roger my sonnys cum to xvij yeres, then I will the sayd Margery iij days afore she be maryd delyuer or cause to be delyueryd owte of her handes all suche legacies and money as to them is bequethyd and gyven in thys my testament in to the handes and custody of sir Henry Norton, sir John Wright, and sir William Wright to the welthe of the sayd William and Roger vnto they cum to and be the age or day aforesayd at whiche tyme or day I will William and Roger haue ther bequestes and money delyueryd in to ther owne discretion. Yff it fortune William Qwytyngham my son to decesse or he cum to the age of xvij yeres not maryd, then I gyff all the sayd legacies and money to Roger my sone, all costes and chargys of hys exhibicion fyndyng kepyng in the tyme of hys sekones, honest necessary funeral expenses of the sayd William Qwytyngham my sone accompted and dyscharged. Yff it fortune Roger [folio 344] my sone to decesse or he cum to the age of xvij yeres not maryd then I gyff all the sayd legaces and money to William my sone, all costes and chargys of hys exhibicion, fyndyng, kepyng in the tyme of hys seknes, honest and necessary funeral expenses discharged. Yff bothe decesse or they cum to the sayd age not maryed, then I will that all the legacies [etc.], be disposyd be the handes of Margery my wyff ther mother or ellys be suche as shall haue the sayd legaces in ther gouernyng and custody in the churche and towne of Sutterton as in celebracion of prystes, or byng any honornamente to the churche, or doyng reparacion of the sayd churche, almys emonge pore people, and in mendyng of high ways where they shall thynke beste to please God and most proffyt for my soule and all crysten soulys. The resydue of all my goodes not bequethyd I put to the disposicion of Margery my wyff and William Qwytyngham my sone, whome I make my executors to dispose my goodes as they shall thynke best to please God for the moste proffyt and helthe ffor my soule and all crysten soulys, by the ouersight and good discretion of sir Henry Norton, sir John Wryght, and sir William Wryght to each of whome I gyff vjs. viijd., whome I make supervisors. To Mr Anthony Erby for hys good councell to my executors and supervisors for the performacion of thys my testament foloyng vjs. viijd. And to Mr Roger Hulton for hys good councell vs. Thes wytnes, syr John Eschedale preste off Sutterton; William Hobson of the same; wyth other moy.

This is the last will of me Richerde Qwyttingham of Sutterton, mayd 22 October, 23 Henry VIII, [A.D. 1531] of all messuages, tenementes, landes pasture and arable, as well freholde as copyholde, lyinge in the townys and feldes of Sutterton, Algarkyrke, and Wygtofte. I will y^t all my coffeofetores stande and be seasyd of them [*folio 344d.*] to the vse and performacion of thys my last will. To Margery my wyff the terme of her lyff one mansion that I purchesyd of sir John Wright, as it lies now wythin the heggys, and aftyr the decesse of the sayd Margery I gyff it as it lies w^t in the heggis to William Qwyttingham my sone, to hys heyres and assynges. To Roger Qwyttingham my sone hys heyres and assynges one mancion lying at Lawransse Brygge, and iij acres pasture and arable thereto belongyng which I purchesyd off William Wattys, iij acres lande and pasture lying in Algerkyrke, ij acres lande arable wyth the lytyll holte of wood that I purchesyd of sir William Wattys prest, halff one acre arable that I purchesyd of Roger Dyconson, ij acres and one halff y^t I purchesyd of William Hubbert lying in Chetyll felde, one acre and a halff pasture lying in Wigtofte felde, when he shall cum to the age of xvij yeres or ellys the day of hys mariage yff it shall fortune the sayd Roger to be maryed afore he cum to the sayd age of xvij yeres, vnder thys condicione that the sayd Roger pay or cause to be payd to Margery my wyff hys mother at the feste of Philip and Jamys yerly the terme of her lyffe vijs. sterlyng, and in defawt of payment w^t in viij days foloyng the sayd feste, I will it shall be laufull for Margery my wyff or hyr assynges to strene of any parcell of the sayd mansion and landes to the same Roger givyn in thys my last will, and the stresse so takyn to dryve away vnto the sayd somme of vijs. be fully and holy payd. And yff it fortune the sayd Roger to decesse owt of thys present lyff w^t owt heyres of hys body laufully begottyn, then I will and gyff the sayd mansion lying at Lawransse Bryg and all other landes pasture arable and woode gyffyn to the sayd Roger in thys my last will to William my sone, to hys heyres and assynges. And yff it fortune bothe William and Roger to decesse owt of thys present lyff wythout heyres of ther bodyes laufully begottyn, then I will that my feoffetores stande and be seassyd of and in the forsayd mansion lying at Lawransse Bryg and in all other landes, [etc.], to the sayd [*folio 345*] Roger afore gyffyn to the vse her aftyr foloyng, that is to say, I will the rentes, commodities, [etc.], cumyng of and vpon the sayd mansion and all the other landes, pasture, and woode, by the handes of my executrix yff she lyff, or any of my supervisors yff they lyff, and in the vacacion of my executrix and supervisors my feoffetores that tyme beyng, be givyn towarde the wagys, stypende, and salary of one secular preste sayng messe afore our qwhyttie Lady in the churche of Sutterton the terme and space of lxxxix yeres, and lenger yff the kynges lawe will suffer it. Also I will y^t my executrix, supervisors, and feoffetores mayd and to be mayd, and euery one of them in ther tyme and tymys beyng, wyth parcell of the sayd rentes,[etc.], kepe or cause to be kepyd my anniuersary day, prayng for my soule the saulys of Margery and Johanne my wyffes, the soulys of my father and my mother, and all crysten soulys, yerly spendyng in solempne placebo and dirige, messe, and in almays emong pore people w^t in the parish of Sutterton the terme of the sayd lxxxix yeres, vjs. viijd. Providyd alway that yf the kynges lawe will not suffer

the sayd mansion and all the other landes, [etc.], to stand and be in the possession off my feoffetors, that the rentes [etc.], may not be gyffyn and dystrybute as is aforesayd, then I will my executrix and supervisors yff they lyff, and yff they be decessyd I will my feoffetores and churchwardens of Sutterton that tyme beyng, by the councell of iiiij of the moste substanciall men of the same paryshe do sell the sayd mansion and all the other landes, [etc.], by the best price they canne, and the money therof takyn I will be distributyd in the churche and parysh of Sutterton for the well proffyt and helthe of my soule, the soulys of my wyffes, the soulys off my father and my mother, and all crysten soulys, as in celebracion of prestes, honornamentes w^t in the churche, in reparacion of the churche as in stone, woode, glasse, or ledde, almys emong pore people, and mendyng of high ways wher as they shall thynke best to please God and moste helthe and proffyt to my soule and all crysten soulys. To William Qwytyngham my sonne, to his heyres and assygnes, my mansion [*folio 345d.*] which I wonne in w^t the pertinenses as it lyes and all other mansions, tenementes, landes [etc.], in the towne and feldes of Sutterton, as well freholde as copyholde, not namyd nor gyffyn afore to Roger my sonne, when he shall cum to the age of xvij yeres or ellys the day of hys mariage vnder thys condicion that the sayd William pay or cause to be payd to Margery my wyff hys mother at the feste of st Michel the Archangell in the monyth of September yerly the terme of her lyff naturall xijs. sterlyng, and in defawte of payment it shall be laufull to her or her assygnes to strene on the sayd mansyon or of any parcell of landes, [etc.], to the sayd William gyffyn in thys my last will, and the distresse so takyn to dryve away vnto the sayd sum of xijs. be fully and holy payd. And yff it fortune y^t William my sone to decesse owt of thys present lyff w^t owt heyres of hys body laufully begottyn, then I gyff the sayd mansions tenementes, [etc.], to Roger my sone to hys heyres and assygnes. And yff it fortune bothe William and Roger my sonnys to decesse w^t owt heyres of ther bodys laufully begottyn, then I will the forsayd mansions, lande, [etc.], as is to William and Roger my sonnys namyd and givyn, to Margery my wyff the terme of her lyff naturall, and aftyr her decesse to John Qwytyngham my brother sone, to hys heyres and assygnes, on mansion lying at Gararde Hyll excepte, in the which mansion I will my feoffetores stande and be seyssed of and into the intente heraftyr declared, that is to say, to thuse of the paryshoners of Sutterton, which mansion I will shall be ther gylde house the space and terme of lxxxix yeres, and lenger and the kynges lawe will suffer it; and I will when the sayd paryshoners do make [*folio 346*] ther gilde, when they haue dynyd, the chambelains of the same gylde to desyre every man and woman ther beyng present to say one *Pater noster*, one *Ave Maria*, and one *Credo*, and they that canne to say *De profundis* for my soule, the soulys of my wyffes, the soulys of my father and my mother, and all crysten soulys. And yff the kynges lawe will not suffer the sayd mansion to stande and be in the handes of my feoffetors to the purpose aforesayd then I will my supervisors yff they lyff, or elles the feoffetors of the sayd mansion that tyme beyng, by the councell of the churchwardons and iiiij of the moste substanciall men of the sayd parysche of Sutterton that tyme beyng, do sell the sayd mansion by the best price, and the money therof takyn I will be done in warkes of

charite within the churche and parysche of Sutterton wher they shall thynke best to please God to the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys. I will that William Qwyttingham and Roger Qwyttingham my sonnys and all the forsayd mansions, [etc.], be in gouernaunce and orderyng of Margery my wyff. And I will the sayd Margery by the good councell of sir Henry Norton, sir John Wryght, and sir Wylliam Wryght, w^t the renttes thereof aray, fynde, and put forthe the sayd William and Roger to ther moste honesty profyte and well to the sayd William and Roger cum to and be the age of xvij yeres or ellys the day of ther mariage, at the which terme of xvij yeres and day off mariage I will the sayd William and Roger haue and possesse in ther owne gouernaunce all the sayd mansions, lands, [etc.]. Provydyd y^t yff Margery my wyff at any tyme aftyr my decesse be maryed afore William and Roger cum to the age of xvij yeres or ellys the day of ther mariages, [folio 346d.] then I will that she shall no more take receyve nor haue no maner of rentes, [etc.], of the sayd mansions (her annuite excepte). And I will the sayd Margery iiiij days afore she be maryed do seale and delyuer to William and Roger my sonnys a generall releasse of for and in all ryghtes and titles of and in the premises to the sayd William and Roger in thys my last will namyd and gyvyn. And I will the premises be at the lettyng to ferme and gouernaunce of sir Henry Norton, sir John Wryght, and sir William Wryght, prestes, to thusse well and proffyt of the sayd William and Roger to they cum to the age of xvij yeres or ellys the day of ther mariages. Mayd and wryttyn the yere and the day aforesayd. Wytnes, sir John Eschedayll preste ; and William Hobson of Sutterton ; wyth other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 23 June, 1532, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT GRETHAM [OF NORMANBY LE WOLD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 350d.]

28 October, 1531. I Robert Gretham of Normanby, seke of body, ordyns my testament and last will. My body to be buryed within the churche of Normanby, and for my buryall I gyff to the churche aforesayd vjs. viijd. To our Lady warke in Lincoln iiijd. To the high altare of the same iiijd. To the parson off Normanby for tithys and oblacions forgottyn to pray for my soule one gryssylde colte stag. I will that the ij daughters that was Thomas Chapman have ther barne partes, that is to say, xx^{tv} nobyls that was assygnyd to them be the parson of Normanby and Robert Chapman of Thorneton. To Margaret my daughter iiijl., and it to be payd be the discretion of my executors, whome I orden my wyff Isabell, sir Thomas Foster, and John Gretham my father, they to dispose for my soule as it shall please God. Thes beying wytnes, John Gretham ; William Chapman ; and Robert Watteryn ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 12 December, 1531. Administration granted to Isabell the relict and sir Thomas Foster, power being reserved to grant to John Gretham.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN RAYSYN [OF NORTH SOMERCOTES].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 273.]

2 November, 1531. I John Rasyn of North Somercotes, husbandman, makes this my testament and last wyll. My body to be berryd in the

churche yerde of our Lady¹ of Northesomercotes, my mortuare to be payd after the rate and substans of my gudes. To our moder churche of Lincoln xijd. To the hethe altere of Northesomercottes for thethes and oblacions forgottyn xijd. Also to the pareche churche of Cunnysholme iiijd. To the pareschurche of Northelettes viijd. To the parechurche of Marchechapell iiijd. To the churche of Saltefleteby Clemens iiijd. To Recherd Brader of Northelettes. To Esabell Brader my dowther j grete arke, [etc.], after the decese of Agnes Rasyn my wyffe. To Thomas Brader. To Hyre [sic] Bastan of Northechapel. To Margaret Bastan my dowther vjs. viijd. [etc.]. To other of the dowters of Hynre Bastan. To Magaret Rasyn my saruand j zeryng qwythe, [etc.]. To William Rasyn my sune. To Awncell Rasyn the sun of Thomas Rasyn of Northesomercottes. To Thomas Rasyn my sone. To Elyn Hanson. To every chelde of my sunne Thomas Rasyn. I wyll that William Rasyn celebrate ij trentals for the helth of my sole and all crestyn sowles in the paraschurche of Northe Somercottes. To Agnes Rasyn my wyfe my copy that I holde of master Lanton swere duryng the 3eres, and yff so be that the sayd Agnes my wyfe decease before the 3eres of the sade copy be fully endyd than I wyll that the 3eres of the sade copy remane unto Thomas Rasyn my sune. The resydu of al my gudes I geve to Thomas Rasyn my sone and John Prestuere, whome I make my executures. Thes wytnesses, sir William Alby vicar of Northe Somercottes; Thomas Wod, John Bruster, Water Rasyn, John Bagit of the same; with many others.

Unto thesse premisses I wyll that Agnes Rasyn my wyfe have my mancion howsse syuat in Summercottes with the pertinans thereto belongyn duryng the terme of hir lyfe, and after her decese I wyll the mancion howse remane unto Thomas and William Rasyn my sunnes, after this cundescion that this sade Thomas Rasyn schall geve 3erely unto the sade William Rasyn ijs. of the proffet of the sade howsse duryng the terme of the lyfe of the sade William Rasyn.

Proved before P., at Louthe, 17 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BROWNE [OF HARMSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 293d.]

4 November, 1531. I John Browne of Harmeston makes my testament. My body to be buried within the churche yerde of Harmeston. To the high altare of Harmeston iiijd., and to our Lady warkes off Lincoln iiijd., and to the iiiij orders of frerys iiij strykes of barly, and to Helene Yodayll one cowe. To Lucy Yowdale one whye, and Jenet Browne one whye. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Catheryne my wyff, whome I make my executrix that she may dispose it for my soule my frendes soulys and all crysten soulyes. Wytnes, sir Leonerde Dyckson; Thomas Jaye; Thomas Lockyng; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Naneby, 9 March, 1531-2.

¹ In the nineteenth century the dedications of the churches of North Somercotes and South Somercotes were interchanged in error.

[THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WESTMELLYS OF FISHTOFT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 398.]

4 November, 1531. I John Westmellys of Tofte do make my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the churchyerde of s^t Guthlake of Tofte. To the sacrament iiijd. To our Lady altare iiijd. To the Trinite altare iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the chapell of our Lady ijd. To Robert Westmelles my sonne a quarter of a bote callyd a hoyker as she is occupied. To Agnes my daughter. To Isabell my daughter. To Robert my sonne all my coppys aftyr the decesse of hys mother. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Cecill my wyff, whome I make my executrix, wyth Thomas Stabilton to occupy with her, and he to have for hys labor vs. Thes beyng wytnes, John Bate; William Dawson; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Wyberton, 10 November, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN MATBY [OF GREAT CARLTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 275d.]

5 November, 1531. I John Matby, makes my will. I witt my soule, [etc.], and my body to be buried in the kyrke yerde of s^t Peter of Gret Carleton. I wit to our Lady of Lincoln xijd. I wyt to the high altare of Gret Carleton xijd. To the kyrke of the same halff a nacre of wheate. To Vincent Dobson. It is my wyll to have a dirige at my seventh day and halff a trentall of messys done for me. It is my will that my wyff have all my housholde stuff. It is my will that all my other goodes be devydyd in iij partes, fyrist parte to my selff, the secund to my wyff, and the other to the chylder. It is my will that my wyff and William Henryson be my executors, and Edmund Thorndyke my supervisor, and they to have for ther labor vjs. viijd. Yff it fortune any of my chylder to dy afore they be xij yere of age, then the goodes shall be devydyd emonges my wyff and my other chylder. The resydue of my goodes not gyffen nor wyt I gyff it to my executors to dispose for my soule. Thes men to wytnes, sir Olyuer Lamyngh the curet; William Freeman; John Crake; Henry Dyconson; with many other moy.

Proved before P., at Louth, 17 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF EMME MARCHAND [OF WIGTOFT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 332.]

6 November, 1531. I Emme Marchande makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the church yerdes of the appostelllys Peter and Paule in the paryshyng of Wygtofte. To the high altare of Wygtofte iiijd. To our Lady altare ijd. To s^t Nicholes altare ijd. To our Lady of Lincoln ijd. To Helene Marchand. To Jenet Dene one bynk, [etc.]. To Robert Marchand my sonne. To Agnes Roche. To Emme Marchand and to Alexander Obrey. To Alexander Obrey sonne of Hugh Obrey. To Robert Ouer wyff and to her chylde. To Emme Dene a blak arke. To John Dene the yonger ijs. To John Dene the elder. To John Marchand sonne of Alexander Marchande. To Hugh Marchand sonne of Robert Marchande, and to Richerd Ouer sonne of Robert Ouer. To John Marchande the elder and to Thomas Bynsay. All my goodes I bequeth to Alexander and Robert my sonnes,

whome I make my executors for to dispose for helthe of my soule and all my good frendes soulys. Whytnes, John Alanson; Thomas Hune; and John Pereson.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532, by the executors.

JOHN BULLOCKE [OF GLENTWORTH].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 339.]

9 November, 1531. I John Bullocke, hole of mynd and memory, maketh my testament and last will. My bodye to be buryed in st Michaell church yeard of Glentworth. To the hye alter of the church of Glentworthe xijd. To the church workes of Glentworth xijd. To the church of Vptonne iiijd. To the church of Hepam iiijd. To euerye order of fryers of Lincoln' one strike of barlye. To William Bullocke one quye and one sawe and one hogg. To Em' Luddington one quye, and I bequeath to ij children of Thomas Luddington one ewe hogg [each]. To Thomas Luddington one mayre. To Thomas Bullocke my sonne one meare and one cople of oxen. To John my sonne one cople of oxen, one quarter of barlye, a wayne, and a cart, and to haue meate and drinke to he kepe howse himselfe. To Jenkin my sonne xls. To Margarett my daughter iijl. vjs. viijd. To Thomas Pye one quye. The residewe of my goodes I geue to William my sonne, whome I make my executor to pay my debtes and to dispose for the healthe of my sowle as he shall thinke the best. I will that Thomas my sonne be the supervisor. Thes beinge wittnesses, sir Richard Taythwell curate; Alexander Kyrke; John Wilson; wth other mooe. I will that a prest shall have xs. to do a trentall of messes for me and my wyfe.

Proved before L., at Lincoln, 16 January, 1531-2, and administration was committed to the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD CLERK, PREST, [OF CROXTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 381.]

11 November, 1531. I sir Richerd Clerk, prest and parson of Croxton, makes and ordens my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the chauncell of the parysh church of Croxton before the ymage of st John the Evangelist. To our Lady warke of the cathedrall churche of Lincoln a maser, and to the highe altare of the same churche xijd. To the parysh churche of Croxton towarde the mendyng of the bellys xs. To the churche of Vlceby xs. To the parysh churches of Melton Rosse, Wotton, and Kyrnyngton iijs. iiijd. apiece. To William Clerke my naturall brother xls., [etc.]. To Jamys Clerke my brother sonne xijs. iiijd. To Thomas Clerke my brother sonne xls. I will that Nicholes Clerke my brother sonne have exhibicion of my goodes to suche [folio 381d.] tyme as he be preste yff he will be rewlyd be my executors, and immediatly aftyr he be preste I will that he have a yere wagys of my executors to syng for my soule and all crysten soulys. And I will the sayd Nicholes shall have the benefice of Thurganby when it fallys void yff he lyff and will be preste, of wich benefice I have the nexte advowson. To Richerd Clerke my brother sonne xxs. To Rober Clerke my brother sonne xxid. To Josian my brother daughter. To George Watson xxs. To Alison Watson xs. To Agnes Plumpton xijd. To Richerd Watson.

To Isabell Clerke my brother wyff. To Helene my servant xijd. To master doctor Rayne one olde noble. To m^r doctor Pryn a sylver spone and iiiij weders. To m^r Peter Effarde a sylver spone and iiiij weders. To m^r Henry Sapcot a sylver salte. I will that sir William Thomson syng one yere for my soule, and to have for hys labor and stipende iiijl. xijs. iiijd. To Elizabeth Latymer my servant vjl. xijs. iiijd. The resydewe of all my goodes I bequeth to Elizabeth Latymer. I make sir Andro Wylson, sir Richerd Watson, and Elizabeth Latymer my executors. And I will that the sayd sir Andro Wylson and sir Richerd Watson have for ther labors ether of them xxs. I will that m^r Phyliip Tyrwhitt and m^r John Rud be supervisors, and I bequeth to m^r Phyliip for hys labor xxs. and to m^r Rud for hys labor xijs. iiijd. Thes beyng wytnes, sir George Cooke ; sir Andro Wylson ; and sir William Thomson ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 23 November, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN PARKYNSON [OF GREAT HALE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 339.]

12 November, 1531. I John Parkynson of Gret Hale makes my last will. My body to be buried within the church yerde of st John Baptist of Gret Hale, and to my mortuary that at the law doth admitt. To the vicar a cowe to pray for me and to discharge me of my tithys that I have bene negligent in. To st John Baptist within the high quere of Gret Hale viijd. To the altare of our Lady and the altare of st Catheryns other of them iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the chylder of st Catheryns ijd. To the house of Hauerholme xijd. To our Lady altare of Ryskyngton iiijd. and to the high altare in the same churche iiijd. To the same churche ij torchys. To Hugh my sonne one horse, one stag, a stepefat, and a hayre, and a pare of qwerneys, [etc.] [folio 339d.] To John Hollande. To Robert Wylkynson of Dowesby. To Robert Holland. To every chylde that my doughter hathe. To every chylde that my sonne Hugh hathe. To Margaret Parkyn. To Xp'ofe Parkyn. To John Dykynson. To George Dykynson. To John Walters. To Margaret Lyerde. To Tommisyn Lierde. To the church off Gret Hale one kowe to kepe my obbyt with, and the sayd cowe to be lettyn for xvjd. in the yere and to up holde the stok. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alyson my wyff and Hugh my sone, whome I make my executors. Thes beyng wytnesses, syr George Pynder ; Leonerd Markam ; Thomas Garwell ; William Kyrton ; Richerd Waters ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Sleaford, 12 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. BENLAY [OF SWINESHEAD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 336d.]

13 November, 1531. I William Benlay of Swyneshead makes my testament and my last will. My body to be buried within the church-yeerde of our Lady in Swyneshead. To the high altare iiijd. To m^r vicar xijd. to pray for my soule. To our Lady warke of Lincoln viijd. To the fatherles chyldren at st Catheryns iiijd. To William Baxster and to Elizabeth hys wyff. To Johanne my doughter a lede standyng at Applay and di' acre of wheate. To John Kelsay. The resydue of my goodes

I gyff to Jenet my wyff and to Frauncys my sonne, whome I make my executors to dispose for the helthe of my soule. I will that m^r Robert Londe the vicar of Quadryng be the supervisor, gyffyng hym for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Thes men beryng wytnes, sir Thomas Garton vicar; Richard Bull; and Richard Johnson; cum aliis.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 10 April, 1532.

RICHARD TORSAYE [OF EAST FERRY].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 354.]

13 November, 1531. I Richard Torsaye in Estferrye in the parishe of Scotton, hole in mynde and of good remembraunce, makes my last will. My bodye to be buryed in the church of st Genevfe in Scotton. I bequeathe in the name of my mortuary after the custome of the countrye y^t now ys. To the hye awter in Scotton churche xijd. To our Ladye workes in Lincoln minster viijd. To st Heugh light iiijd. To the hye alter in Lincoln mynster iiijd. To Scotton church iijs. iiijd. To Kyrton in Lynsey churche xijd. I bequeathe for one messe wth the derige to be said in Scotton churche once by yeare for my sowle and all christian sowles iiijd., and the said iiijd. to be taken owte of the coppye howse rent in Lawhton duringe yearelye the space of xvij yeares. I bequeathe for one messe wth the dirige to be said in our Ladye chapell in Estferrye upon shrofete Twesday yearelye vjd. duringe for euermore, and the forsaid vjd. to be taken forthe of the rent of the howse in Laughton agaynst the crose. I bequeathe to the manteyninge and vpholdinge of the seruice of allmighty God and of our blessed Ladye in the chappell in Estferrye one cowe. To Elene Torsaye my daughter iiijl., to Johanne Torsaye my daughter iiijl., to Dorothy my daughter iiijl., and thes xijl. aboue named in penny or pennyworthe to be paid to thes iij madens. To my sonne Thomas Torsaye xls. to mende y^t he had in tyme past, desiringe him to be good to his mother and to be contente wth this rewarde to mele no furthermore as he intendes to have his mothers blessinge and myne for euer more. To Roberte Moodye one quy of one yeare age. To Nicholas Coke my seruante one white fillye y^t was of the graye meare. To Agnes my wyfe vijs. by yeare in cleare monye to be taken owte of the rente of the howse in Laughton in Lynsaye agaynst the crose duringe her lyfe, and the foresaid Agnes my wyfe to haue the thirde parte of all my goodes. To my sonne John Torsaye my parte of the bargayne of the wynde mylne in Ashbye field hole to him selfe. To the foresaid John Torsaye the halfe parte of all the coppyes y^t I haue in bargayne, and the other halfe parte of the forsaid coppyes I geue to Agnes my wyfe duringe her lyfe. [page 355] To my sonne John Torsaye all my harnesse and my instrumentes y^t belongs to my shoppe, and the best horse y^t belongs to me. To thre children of my daughter Elsabethe iij lambes. To my daughter Margarett one yowe wth one lambe. To my brother Thomas Torsaye xijd. To John Torsaye xijd. To Roberte Torsaye xijd. To my brother W^m Torsaye iijs. iiijd., whome I make the supervisor. The residewe of all my goodes I geue to Agnes my wyfe and to my sonne John Torsaye, whome I make my executores y^t they may dispose for the weale of my sowle. Thes men beinge wittnes, Thomas Devyas in Estferrye; William Jackson of the same; William Torsaye of the same; William Everard

of Laughton in Lynsaye ; sir George Vessye prest in Estferrye ; cum aliis.
Proved before L., at Gaynsbrouge, 20 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD VAUSER [OF GOSBERTON].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 137d.]

13 November, 1531. I Richerde Vauser of the paryshe of Gosberkyrke dothe make orden and dispose thys my presente testament and laste will. My body to be buryd in the churche yerde of the appostellys st Peter and st Poule in Gosberton. To the high altare of the same churche ijd. To our Ladys offerynges of Lincoln ijd. To the fatherles chyldren of st Catheryns withowte Lincoln wallys jd. All the resydue of my goodes not gyffyn nor bequethyd I gyff them unto Thomas Leeke, whome I make my executor to bryng my body unto the grounde and to dispose them for the use of my soule as shall seme hym beste. Thes beryng wytnes, sir Henry Topplys parysche preste ; Godfray Surflyt gentleman ; and danne William Pyggot chanon ; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 4 March, 1533-4.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN COKKE [OF BARROW ON HUMBER].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 277d.]

14 November, 1531. I John Cooke off Barrow makes this my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of our blesyyd Lady in Barrow. To the high alter of the churche of Barrow for forgottyn tithis viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln xxid. To Jane Cooke. To my brother a motlay cote, a jamlet jerkyn. To Richerde Becke my kynsman. The rest of my goodes I gyff to Margaret my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose for my soule and all crysten soulys as she thinkes best. Thes men wytnes, Robert Hall ; and Robert Nele ; wthy other moy.

Proved before P., at Castre, 19 April, 1532.

TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM OLYVER [OF WINTHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 13.]

14 November, 1531. I William Olyuer off Wynthorpe makes thys my testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of our Lady in Wynthorpe. To the honornamentes of the high altare ther xijd. To st Jamys altare iiijd. To st Catheryne altare iiijd. To the bellys iijs. iiijd. To the roode light xijd. To the Wessalys light viijd. To the Yomans light xxid. To the Madyns light viijd. To our Ladys warke of Lincoln and oblacion viijd. To oblacion at our Lady of Walsyngham vjd. To the nonnys of Bollyngton xijd. I will haue a preste to syng for my soule and all my good frendes in Wynthorpe churche the space of one yere. To the chylder of John Oleuer. To Thomas Johnson dooughter. To Agnes Wylkynson. To John Gurne. To Thomas Malteby vicar iijs. iiijd., whome I make supervisor. To William Mylle and William Cobbe other of them iijs. iiijd., whome I make my executors to dispose the resydue of my goodes to the honor of God for the well of my soule. Thes men wytnes, sir Thomas Malteby vicar ; William Mathe ; John Gurne ; with other.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 15 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT RAWE [OF ANCASTER].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 285d.]

18 November, 1531. I Robert Rawe of Ancastre in the paryshyng of Willesforth¹ makes my will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of our Lady of Willesforde. To the high altare xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To the pore chyldren of st Catheryns vjd. To the churche of Willesforde xijd. To the rode in the sayd churche a taper of wax price viijd., and iijs. iiijd. to mayntene the light therwith for evermore. To our Lady of Pety a taper of waxe price viijd., and iijs. iiijd. to mayntene the light with for evermore. To the Sepulcre light on schepe. To sir Thomas Hankyn a browne cowe. To the churches of Colby, Willoby, Brauncewell, Dounesby, xijd. each. To the chapell of st Jamys of Rawceby one schepe. To the chapell of our Lady in the paryshen of Willesford on schepe. To the churche of Ancastre xijd. To John Rawe my brother and hys wyff and to every one of hys chylder one schepe. To Thomas Rawe. To William Raw. To Thomas Lee. To Michel Wylkynson. To Robert Clerke of Brawncewell. I bequeth to John Patynson and to Thomas Hewe to be my supervisors, and eyther of them to have for ther labor iijs. iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Agnes Rawe my wyff and to Margaret my daughter to dispose for the helthe of my soule as they thynke beste to the ples' of God. Wytnes, sir Thomas Hankyng the curat; Thomas Pecheyll; Thomas Dobleday; Thomas Too; with other moo.

Proved before P., at Ancastre, 8 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN THORPE [OF DENTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 282d.]

19 November, 1531, 23 Henry VIII. I John Thorp of Denton, yoman, seke of body, makes and ordens thys my present testament and last will in maner and forme ensewyng, that is to wytt, [etc.]. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Androy of Denton. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To the high altare of st Androy of Denton for my tithys forgottyn xijd. To the churche warke of Denton a quarter of barly. To the Crosse gylde a schepe hog. To my father Robert Thorpe. To my father [*in lawe*²] William Julyan my weddyng gowne with my best dooblet and my syde jaket. I will that my fyrme for the terme of my yeres aftyr my decease remayn to Emot my wyff, and aftyr that to William Julyan my father. To my wyff a colte and a fely that my father Robert Thorpe hathe in kepyng. To Elizabeth my daughter and heyre all my messuages, landes, lesurs, medoys, and pasturs that I have in the townys and feldes of Laxton and Mynscheppe or ellys where in the countys of Yorke and Nottyngham, the whiche to me discendyd be right of inheritaunce aftyr the disseise of my mother, to have and to holde to the sayd Elizabeth and to the heyres of her body laufully cumyng to holde of the cheffe lordes of the fee, therfore doying service dewe and custome. To the sayd Elizabeth, aftyr the decease of Robert Thorpe

¹ Ermine Street is part of the boundary between the parishes of Ancaster and Wilsford, and the houses in the village of Ancaster, which are on the east side of the street, belong to the parish of Wilsford.

² Struck out.

my father, all the landes and tenementes in the townys and feldes of Laxton orelyns where within the realme of Yngland the whiche I and my father have purchesyd, to have and to holde to her and the heyres of her body laufully cumyng. To William Julyan my father all maner of evidences in hys kepyng concernyng the sayd messes, lands, [etc.], and other the premisses, to the vse of the sayd Elizabeth and the heyres of her body. All my other goodes I gyff vnto Emot my wyff and William Julyan my father, whome I make my executors to dispose for the helthe of my soule as they thynke most expedyent. Thes beryng wytnes, sir Richard Wylson prest; William Shawe; Thomas Browne; with many other.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 4 March, 1531-2.

TESTAMENT OF ROBERT AWERAY [OF BECKINGHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 292.]

25 November, 1531. I Robert Aweray dwellyng in the paryshyng off Bekkyngham makes my testament or my last will. My body to be buried in the churche or churcheyerde of All Halloys of Bekyngham. To the high altare of the same churche for forgottyn tithys vjd. To our Lady warkes at Lincoln viijd. To the bellys of Bekyngham xxd. To Straglethorpe churche xxd. To Robert Aweray my new a quarter of barly. To William Aweray my new a quarter of barly. I will Richerd and William my sonys haue thys barly in ther gydying to ther behoyff till they cum to lauffull age. The resydue of my houshold stuff I gyff vnto my wyff. To iiij of Richerd my sonnys chylder iiiij schepe. To Thomas my sone ij ewys. I will yt Thomas my sonne haue fyve markes forgyffyn hym of the xiij yere rent yt he hawys me yff he be good and honest and troble not my executors, and let not my wyll fullfyllyng; yff he be troblesum or make any busynes agenst my will or my executors I will yt he pay to my executors the forsayd v markes. To my wyff my house at the chauncell ende her lyff, and aftyr her decease I gyff it to William my sonne. To my wyff my house in Straglethorpe her lyff, and aftyr her decease to Richerd my sonne. The resydue of my goodes not bequethyd I gyff to my wyff and William my sone that they may dispose it to the pleasure of God aftyr ther myndes as they thynke best fullfyllyng of my will and payng of my dettes, whome I make my full executors, and Richerd my sone the supervisor, and for hys labor I gyff hym vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, sir Thomas Hirde the curat of the towne; Richerd Tayler; Thomas Peke; Johannes Burt; wt other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 4 May, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF WYLLIAM MODDE [OF BILLINGBOROUGH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 285.]

29 November, 1531. I Willam Modde off Byllyngburgh make my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of Byllyngburgh. To the high altare of Byllyngburgh for tithys forgottyn viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln ijd., and to our Lady warkes ijd., and to the fatherles chyldren of st Catheryns ijd. To John Modde my sonne. To Margery my wyff my house with the appurtenances that I dwell in duryng her lyff, and aftyr that I will John my sonne have it to hym and

hys heyres of hys body ; remainder to John Chapman and hys heyres for evermore, causyng xs. to be done in a trentall for my soule and all crysten soulys. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Margery my wyff, whome I make my executrix. Wytnes, sir Robert Litherlande; John Daws; Robert Draper; Henry Chapman; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Burne, 7 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS PEPER [OF SPILSBY].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 319.]

29 November, 1531. I sir Thomas Peper of Spyllesby makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerd of sanct James in Spyllesby. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the reparacyons of the church of Spyllesby xxs. To the Coman lyght in Spillesby xd. To the Yongmens lyght xd. To the Maydyns lyght xd. To the mayster of the chauntry vjs. viijd. To every broder vjs. viijd. To Jane Lynlay vjs. viijd. To John Rycroft and Annas hys wyffe xiijs. iiijd. To John Crane of Bryngyll vjs. viijd. To Raythby to pore fowlkes xiijd. To Hondylbe to pore fowlkes xiijd. To Partnay to pore folkes xiijd. To Hawlton to pore folkes xiijd. To odar of Towntons to pore folkes xiijd. To Estar Kell to pore folkes xiijd. To Margyt Peper xl. [folio 319d.] in money and a spruse chyst and a pare cobyardes, [etc.]. To Elyzabeth Gudschepe. To every servand in the howse iiijd. To Thomas Whytting and Elyzabeth hys wyffe vjs. viijd. I wyll have a trental song for me and all my gud fryndes in Spyllesby church. To Rychard Grase iiijd., [etc.]. To sant James alter an autar clouthe, and to the sepultur ij schetes of iij bredes. To the helpyng of my chambre xxs. I wyll have a fre ston to lay upon me whan I am buryed, lyk Robert Godrykes. The resydew of all my guddes I gyff to mastar Francesse Stonar, whome I make myne executor for to dispose for the helth of my saull and for all my fryndes saulles and for all crysten soulles that God will have prayd for. Theis men beryng wytnes, sir James Halyday; sir Thomas Arnold; sir Thomas Smyth; and other mo.

Proved before P., at Spillesby, 14 October, 1534.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD SKEGNER [OF ADDLETHORPE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 269.]

2 December, 1531. I Richard Skegner of Adylthorpe makes this my testament. My body to be berred in the churche 3erde off sant Nycolas off Adylthorpe. To owre Lady worke off Lincoln viijd. To the hye awter off Adylthorpe iiijd. To the Trynyte awter in the sade churche iiijd. To our Ladye aualter iiijd. To the rode in the sade churche iiijd. To the belles vjd. To the iiiij ordres of freres in Boston every order to have vd. a peyss. I wete to Agnes Freynd. To every on off my godchelder and my wifses godchelder iiijd. a peyss. To Agnes my sester. To Jenet Emmand. To sir Wylliam Wylliamson xxd. I be wytt to Isabyll Spylsby j nawparron. The rest of my gudes unbewytt I bewytt to my chylder Thomas, Olyue, and Aleys evyngly to be devydyd among thame; and yff Thomas dy or he com att age I wytt the forsayd gudes to remane to my dowttres Olyve and Aleys; and yff Olyue dy before sche com to age then I wyll the forsayd gudes to remane to Alys

my dowther ; and yff tha all dye than I wyll the gudes remane to the churche warkes att the dysposycion of my ocapyres. I make Crystofer Skyegnes and Thomas Spylsby my executures, and Wylliam Skegnes my broder my oversear, tha to dyspose my gudes for the helthe of my sawle as tha thynk best, and tha to haue for ther labor vs. a peysse. With thes wyttnes, sir William Wylliamson my gostly fader ; John Besowthyn ; John Wawpull ; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 15 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD BOTLER [VICAR OF TETNEY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 360d.]

3 December, 1531. I sir Richerd Butler, vicare of Tetney, makes my last will. My body to be buryed in the hige qwere off Tetney of st Peter and Paule. I will have a crosse off copper and gilte with Mary and John bought, and a crosse clothe of sarsenet with Peter and Paule, the wich I gyff to the church of Tetney. To our mother church of Lincoln warkes xxd. To our Lady gilde of Tetney xijd. To the hige ways of Tetney xijd. To Thomas Petche. To Isabell Taler, and to ether of her chylder. To Henry Taler. To Edward Butler my brother. To Jenet Teysdale and Thomas her sonne. To Agnes Smyth, and to every one of her chyldren. To every one of my brother Edward childer. To William Came. I will that the house that was late Edward Fyshers be put in sewerty for to fynde fyve sergys before the sacrament, to be mayd as strong be my executor and supervisor as can be performyd of the same, and to burne at the sacryng of the high messe. I will that the resydue of the rent of the sayd house that is lefte besyde the reparacions shall be done an obbyt for me at my yerday, and evermore to continew. I will that one preste syng for me one yere. To everyone of my godchylder. To Marg' Butler. To sir Robert Blauncherde. To Isabell Halyston. The resydue of my goodes I will that it be disposyd for the helthe of my soule be the syght of my executor and supervisor as they thynke best. I make Thomas [folio 361] Petche my sole executor ; and m^r Guy Came my supervisor, and to have for hys labor xxs. Wytnes, John Woode ; William Atkynson ; William Smyth ; Henry Taleyr ; Robert Blauncherde capellanus ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 6 January, 1531-2, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. HUGAN [OF WEST RASEN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 278.]

4 December, 1531. I William Hugan of Westrasyn makes this my last will. My body to be buryd in the kyrke garthe of Westrasyn. To the parson of Westrasyn a flekyd oxe to pray for me. To Robert my sonne. To Margaret my daughter. To Richerd Hugan. To Hamond Hugan. To too childer of Richerd Hugans. To Robert Hugan a sarke, [etc.]. To West Rasyn kyrke vjs. viijd. To st Sunday light vjs. viijd. To Tofte kyrke xxd. To Newton kyrke xxd. To Kyrkby kyrke xxd. To every of my godchilde iiijd. I will ther be a trentall of messys sayd for my soule. I make my wyff and Robert my sone my executors, and sir Robert Smyth parson of the kyrke to be supervisor,

and to have for his labor vjs. viijd. Thes wytnes, sir William Raner ; Thomas Lammyng ; and John Bawdyng.

Proved before P., at Estrasyn, 20 April, 1532. Administration granted to the relict, power being reserved to grant to Robert the son, when he shall come to lawful age.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. CHAPMAN [OF BILLINGBOROUGH].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 284d.]

7 December, 1531. I Thomas Chapman of Byllyngburgh seke in body make my testament and last will. My body to be buried in the churchyarde of Billyngburgh, and to the high altare of Billyngburgh xiijd. for tithys forgottyn, and to our Lady of Lincoln ijd. To my wyff the house that I dwell in duryng her lyff naturall aftyr the decease of my mother, and then I will that my daughter Agnes have it to her and her heires for evermore. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Elizabeth my wyff to bryng up my chyld, and otherwyse to dispose as she shall thynke best, whome I make my executrix. These being witness, sir Robert Litherland ; Robert Draper ; Henry Chapman ; with moy.

Proved before P., at Burne, 7 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. FERYS [OF SOUTH FERRIBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 286.]

7 December, 1531. I William Ferys off Southe Feryby do make my will and testament. My body to be buried in the kyrkeyerde of st^t Nicholes in Southeferyby, wyth my mortuary as the custome requiryth. To the proctor of the prior of Thornewholme for tithes forgottyn iiijd. To the churche warke of the sayd churche halffe a quarter of barly. To the upholdyng of the bryg halffe a quarter barly. To the high altare of the cathedrall churche of our Lady of Lincoln ijd. To the churche warke of Lincoln iiijd. To Thomas Kyddall and Phylip Kyddall hys brother halffe a quarter barly. To Thomas my sonne. To Alice my daughter a nambry [etc.]. To William Johnson wyff. [folio 286d.] To William Nebberde a stott of ij yeres olde. To Thomas Nebberde iijs. To sir John Crust iiijd. To sir Thomas Gryme iiijd. To sir George Bayn curate xiijd. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Agnes my wyff and Thomas my sonne, whome I make my executors ; and Agnes my wyff to have besyde hyr shyfte all vessell necessary for brewyng and bakynge, and to dispose it for the helthe of my soule. Thes wytnes, sir George Bayn curate ; Richerde Gryme ; William Nebberde ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Caster, 5 February, 1531-2, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. BOTHBY [OF HONINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 282.]

9 December, 1531. I William Bothby of Honington, husbandman, makyth my testament. My body to be buried in the churche yerde of st^t Wylfryde of Honington. To the high altare off Honington iiijd. To the church of Honington a cowe to the use and fyndyng of ij sergys to be lyghttyd on Sondays and haly days at the leuacion tyme in the sayd churche. Also I will that ther be offeryd of All Soulys day for all

crysten soulys ijd., and to the ryngers the same day ijd., and that to be done of the renewyng of the sayd cowe yerely so long as the stok of the sayd cowe will indure. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To Agnes Botheby my daughter. To William Bothby my sone. To William Botheby the yonger. To John Botheby my sonne. To Steven Sall. To Elizabeth Vpton my daughter. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to Margaret my wyff, whome I make my executrix that she may dispose it for the helthe of my soule as sche thynkyth moste expedient. Whytnes herof, syr Alexander Mannyng vicar; Gylys Willesby; Xp'ofe Nelforthe; John Beuercotes; William Dassyer; Robert Beuercotes; Magnus Johnson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 4 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HERDE [OF BILLINGHAY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 294d.]

9 December, 1531. I John Herde of Byllyngay the elder makes my will and last testament. My body to be buried in the kyrke yerde of st Androy of Byllyngay nexte my mother. To the high altare for tithys forgottyn ijs. To the mother kyrke of Lincoln viijd. To the altare of our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To the reparacions of Byllyngay kyrke iijs. iiijd. To the iiij houses of the frerys of Lincoln xvjd. To a preste to syng iij trentallys in Byllyngay kyrke for the helthe of my soule, my father soule, my mother soule, and all cristien soulys, and he to have for them xxxs. To the prior of Catlay and his ij chanons xvjd. To the priorisse, convent, and syster [sic] of Catley evynly to be devydyd emong theym ijs. To st Margaret of Walcot viijd. To Elizabeth my daughter. To John Herde my sonne. To every chylde of Robert Horsleys. To master vicare of Billyngay iijs. iiijd. To every chylde of Robert Herdes. To every chylde of John Herdys. To Beatrix my wyff my house and ferme that I dwell in, and sche to have it the terme of hyr lyff withoutyn interrupcion; and yff so be when she lyes at the mercy of allmyghty God, then she shall assigne it to whome of my chylder as she thynkes most best to occupy it, aftyr this maner at she kepe her sole alone from mariage takyng. To John Herde my sonne my house with the close and purtenance to it belongyng as it lyes nexte the close of the lordes of the towne, callyd the Vicare close, the terme of my yeres. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to Beatrix my wyff, whome I make my executrix she to dispose it for the helthe of my soule. I make supervisors m^r William Compton gentylman and John Hall baly of Kyme, and they shall have for ther labors, m^r Compton vs., and the other xxd. Thes wytnes, sir William Ludnam preste of Billyngay; Walter Bate; Thomas Gylberde; William Spaldyng; Robert Bate; William Bysby; John Muston.

Moreover this is my last mynde and will that my wyff Beatrix have to herselfe ij dayles callyd Dockedyke Fen dayles. For an obbyt kepyd yerely for my selffe other ij Dockdyke Fen dayles terme of the copy callyd the indenture.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 15 March, 1531-2. Administration granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT SYMSON [OF ORBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 290.]

9 December, 1531. I Robert Symson of Orby makes my last will. My body to be buried in the churchyeerde of All Halloys in Orby. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the high altare of Lincoln xijd. To the high altare of Orby for tithis forgottyn xxid. To the Trinite gylde of Orby xxid. To the batelment of Orby steple xs. I bequeth xxxijs. iiijd. of the dettes that is to geder in to the kyrk of Orby to by a challys with. To the Gray frerys in Boston xijd. To the Augustyn frerys in Boston xijd. and to the other ij orders viijd. a pece. I will that Jenet my wyff have the gyrdell that I bought at London the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease to go to Margaret Kykkes my daughter, and she to gyff to Jenet Felde my daughter the halfe valewe of it, and aftyr the decease of Margaret Kykkes I will that Margaret her daughter have it. To my wyff all my housholde stuff, [etc.], her lyff to fynde the house with for her and my chylder the space of her lyff yff she lyff unmaryed, and aftyr her dethe or at the day of mariage the houshold stuff to be devydyd in thre partes, one parte to my wyff, the secund to my executors, the thurde to my chylder. To Richerd my sone. To Margaret Kykkes daughter to Robert Kykkes. I wit to Jenet Felde my daughter a cowe. To every one of my godchilder iiijd. I wit to Margaret Cut a scheder burling and a scheder lamme. To Agnes Cut my daughter. To Jenet Symson. To Jenet Felde a reben and a pare of bedes. To Jenet Dawson ijs. iiijd. To Robert Symson. To William Feldes. To Robert Kykkes. To Alyson Richerdson my daughter a blak arke. The resydewe of my goodes not wyt I put to the discretion of Richerd Symson my sone and Robert Kykkes, whome I make my executors, they to dispose it for the helth of my soule and all cristen soulys to the most ples' of our Lord God, and to have ether of them for ther labor vjs. viijd.; and sir Robert Snayth to be supervisor and to have for his labor vjs. viijd. Wytnes, Richerd Ballarde; John Megson; John Grenewyk; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 12 February, 1531-2, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD STONY'S [OF KIRMOND LE MIRE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 341d.]

10 December, 1531. I Richerd Stonys of Kyrmounde do make my testament. My body to be buryd in the churchyeerde of st Martyn of Kyrmounde. To the high altare of st Martyn vjs. viijd. To the high altare of our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To our Lady warke of the same viijd. To the high altare of st Martyn one altare clothe. I will that I have a trentall of messys done for me and my frendes. To Anne my daughter. To William Westmerland my sonne in law. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Thomas my sonne, whome I make my executor for to dispose it to the ples' of God and to the helthe of my soule. Thes whytnesses, sir Robert Ganesburgh; John Woode; William Browne; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Wragby, 15 May, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD GAUNT [OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 334d.]

11 December, 1531, 23 Henry VIII. I Richard Gawnte makes and

ordens thys my laste will and testament. My body to be buried in Boston churche of st^t Botulphe besyde the grave of my father, and I bequeth to my mortuary that that the lawe admyttys. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the orpans at st^t Catheryns without Lincoln vjd. for forgottyn tithys xijd. To my cosyn Jasper Hyckes my best gowne that was my fathers. To my cosyn Xp'ofe Hyckes. To my cosyn Melchior Hyckes one mazer. To my cosyn Alice Raynoldes vj sylver sponys. To my cosyn William Paynter the yonger my marble gowne ffurryd with blak lamme, [etc.]. To my cosyn Jenet Paynter xxs. Also I will be brought furthe the day of buryall in our Lady gylde with all the prestes belongyng to the same gylde, and the ij parysh prestes, and the chaunter with all the quyndeners, and also all the prestes belongyng to all the gyldes that I am brother in, with all the iiiij orders of frerys. And on my viijth day and xxx^{tv} day then I will have all our Lady prestes, the ij parysh prestes, the chaunter and the quyndeners, st^t Catheryne preste, and the Trinite preste. The resydue of my goodes not gyffyn nor bestowyd upon my buryall day, viij day, and xxx^{tv} day I gyff to Fredes-wide Hyckes my cosyn, onely excepte iijs. iiijd. [folio 335] that I bequeth to sir Robert Wyter and one sherte clothe, he to pray for my soulys and all crysten soulys. I make my executrix Jenet Hyckes my syster. Thes men beryng whytnes, Gefferay Wase; Thomas Sorisby; William Paynter the elder; and sir Robert Wyter; with other.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

ROBERT HAWLAYE [OF STAINTON WADINGHAM].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 352.]

13 December, 1531. I Roberte Hawlaye, hole of mynd and seke in bodye, makes my will. My bodye to be beryed in the church yearde of st^t Peters of Staynton Waddingham. For my mortuarye as the lawe requires. To the hye alter of st^t Peters of [page 353] Waddingham ijs. To our Ladye worke of Lincoln' iiijd. To Roberte Yorke a fustian dublett and my best hose and a payre of bootes. To Richard Kinge one dublett of lether. To John Hawle a lether jerkyne. The residewe of my goodes I will that Margrett my wyfe haue to bringe vpp my childer wth all, the w^{ch} Margrett I make my executrix. I will that William Yorke be the supervisor, and he to haue for his labor a newe bonnett and a jerkyne. Thes beinge wittnes, Richard Teyche; John Stodard; William Androwe; wth other mooe.

Proved before L., 19 January, 1531-2, *in forma pauperis*.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WRAY [OF SAXBY ALL SAINTS].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 361.]

14 December, 1531. I John Wray of Saxby makyth my will. My body to be buried in the churchyerde of All Halloys in Saxby. I witt to the high altare in Saxby churche xijd. I witt to our Lady of Lincoln iiijd., and to her warkes iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Isabell my wyff, whome I make my executrix for to dispose for the helthe of my soule and the bryngyng up of my chylder. Also I make William Wray of Saxby my naturall father to be supervisor. Thes wytnes, sir William Hogson and Anthony Williamson; wyth other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 9 January, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT DYANE [OF TATHWELL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 275.]

16 December, 1531. I Robert Dyan of Tathwell make my will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the high altare of Tathwell viijd. To the vicar of the same one schepe to pray for me. To John Dian my sonne all thynges in my schop that is necessary for a smyth to occupy, [etc.]. To Jenet my daughter a spurs chyst, [etc.]. To Elizabeth my daughter on red chyst. The resydue of my goodes I gyff unto Margaret my wyff, whome I make my executor. Thes wytnesses, sir Robert Dyan; sir William Dyan; sir Robert Rouse; Robert Porter; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Louthe, 17 April, 1532.

JOHN BOSWELL' [OF EPWORTH].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 352.]

20 December, 1531. I John Boswell' of Epworthe make my testament. My bodye to be buryed in the st^t Katheryne queare in the parishe church of st^t Andrewe in Epworthe, and for my mortuariye after the custome nowe beinge. To the hye alter in Epworthe churche xijd. To the workes of our Ladye of Lincoln' iiijd. To our Ladye of Pittie in the churche of Epworthe beforsaid iiijd. To Thomas Garland one marble coate. To John Garland one old taunye coate. To Adam Whitacars one taunye coate now beinge at Doncaster. To the church of Epworthe one coate of playte. To the wyfe of James Poste iijs. iiijd. To Alice Mosgrave my god daughter ij quyes. To the frears Minors in Doncaster one oxe. I will that the follay of the said oxe be destributed to pore people at my buryall. I will that one trentall of messes be said for my sowle and all christian sowles in the parishe church of st^t Andrewe in Epworth, and the prest that saythe yt to haue therfore xs. The rest of my goodes not witt I frelye geue to John Mangall' of Pollington wth in the parishe of Snaythe and to Ketheryne Nelstrope my syster daughter, whome I make my executors. I ordeyne sir Thomas Thewe curate of Epworthe, Roberte Taillour, and Roberte Tankerslaye the supervisors. Thes men beinge wittnesse, William Sandforde; sir William Justus; John Faro; and Henrye Poste; wth other mooe.

Proved before L., at Lincoln, 18 January, 1531-2. Administration granted to the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT HALL [OF CROFT].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 268d.]

20 December, 1531. I Robert Hall of the parysh of Crofte makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of All Halloys in Crofte. To our Lady of Lincoln to her warkes iiijd. To the high altare in Crofte churche for tithys forgottyn iiijd. To ij other altares in the sayd churche iiijd. To Helene my wyff one mansion in Halton with x acres pastre and arabyll lande belongyng to the same for the terme of her lyf naturall, and then to be solde be the sight of Robert Symson, whome I make one of my executors, and I gyff hym for his labor iijs.; and the money therof cumyng by the way of sale I will

it be equally devydyd emong my chyldren, that is to say, Nicholes, William, Jenet, Matilda, and Alyson. And yff any of them dye or they cum at laufull age, I will one of them be heyr to the other. I will that yff it please God that they sholde dy all or they cum to laufull age, then I will that the money so takyn to be disposyd for my soule and all my good frendes soulys be the discretion of my executors Robert Symson and Helene Hall my wyff. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them hole to Helene Hall my wyff to bryng up my chyldren, [etc.]. Thes wytnesses, syr Thomas Banester; John Boner; et aliis.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 15 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF J. ALYN [OF LONG BENNINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 293.]

22 December, 1531. I John Alyn of Long Benyngton, husbandman, makes my wyll and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of s^t Swythune of Benyngton. To the high altare ijs. To ether of the other altares iiijd. To the churche vjs. viijd. To the cawsy iijs. iiijd. To the chapell of our Lady of Benyngton ijs. To the fen brig vjd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln xijd. To Thomas Est of Newarke xl^ty of the best shepe wt in my flok, and ij bullokes that ar at Darnthorpe, and a wayn. To Richerd Alyn my sone vj of the beste beastes that I haue and the best wayn or carte whether he will. To Elizabeth my wyff vj bestes nexte aftyr hym, and a wayn. To Margery my daughter after them to take vj bestes and a wayne, and when all thes are parted yff ther be any leyfte, then Thomas Est to haue other iij bestes to make hym a drawthe wt all. To euere churche that bundes off hus xijd. To my wyffe the best feder beyde and Richard my son the secund beyd, and Margere the therd. The resedew off my gudes to be partyd in thre, the furst part for me, the secund for my wyffe, the thyrde for Richard my son and Margere be twex them. I wyll that sir Thomas Alyn my son haue iijl. vjs. viijd. apon my part to pray for me, and Elizabeth my wyffe to haue the resedew of my part to remember me yerly with all. I wyll that Elesabeth my wyffe and Richard my son be doars for me to fulfyll this my wyll, and sir Thomas Alyn to be ouersear of the same wyll here in, euere on of them knowyng ther pertes sendre or from another. This wittnes, sir John Atkynson; Thomas Robert the yonger; Ricardus Alyn, the elder; John Morlay; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Ancaster, 8 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF ALICE OUERAY [OF CONINGSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 288d.]

22 December, 1531. I Alice Oueray, layt the wyff of William Oueray, of Conesby, make and orden thys my present testament. My body to be buryed in the parysh churche off Conesby. To the high altare of the sayd churche for tithys and oblacions forgottyn xijd. To the reparacions of the bellys iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd., and a pare of beades gawdyd with corall. I gyff for my buryall in the same churche vjs. viijd. To the high altare of the churche of Conesby a towell and an altare clothe. To every altare in the sayd churche an altare clothe. To every gylde of the sayd churche xijd. To John my

sonne a thraune chair, [etc.]. To Richerd and Agnes Dalby. To John Beche, Thomas Nursse, Alice Pullan, Mabell Proctor, Alice, [folio 289] Margaret, Jenet, and Isabell Beche, and Henry Fotherby. To John Beche wyff a pare of sylver hokys, a pare of bedes gaudyd with crystall, [etc.]. To Agnes Nurse. To every one of my godchylde iiijd. To sir William Porter. To my sonne sir Robert Kelsey x schepe, and he to have the sayd schepe and halffe the incresse yff it please God that they lyff at any tyme when he cumys in to the cuntry, and they so to be kepte the space of viij yeres aftyr the date of thy testament. And yff he cum not within the sayd space of viij yeres, then I will that my executors sell them and dispose the money for my soule and all crysten soulys. Also I will that Thomas Nurse have the kepyng of them, and he to have the halffe incresse of them. I will have a trentall done for me in Conesby churche and it may be performyd. Also I will have iiiij dirigys that is to say one at my buryall, a nother at my seventh day, an nother at my xxxth day, a nother at my yere day. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John Beche and Thomas Nurse, whome I make my executors that they may dispose for the helthe of my soule. Also I will that m^r Rigge and Richerd Melton shall be supervisors, and I bequeth to other of them iijs. iiijd. Thes men beryng wytnes, sir William Vnkle; sir William Porter; Richerd Melton; Robert Wylde; John Burton; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 28 June, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN HOLFORTHE [OF BECKINGHAM].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 61.]

25 December, 1531. I John Holforthe of the parysh of Bekkyngham make my testament and my last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of All Halloys of Bekkyngham. To the high altare of the same iiijd. To the bellys of the same churche vjd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To Elizabethe my cosyn a schepe hog. I will that my mare and my lede be disposyd as I have secretly chargyd my executors. To Thomas my sonne a cownter and a schaffyng basyn, [etc.]. The resydue of my goodes I will it be devydyd in iij partes equally, one to my selffe, a nother to my wyff, the thyrde to my chylde; which I make my executors John Holforthe preste, Thomas Holforthe. Thes wytnes, Roger Thomlynson prest; Thomas Pynder; John Berestow; with other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 14 December, 1532. Administration granted to sir John Holforthe, an executor, power being reserved to grant to Thomas Holforthe when he shall come, etc.

TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM REMY [OF FOSDYKE].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 11d.]

27 December, 1531. I William Remy off Fosseyke in Algarkyrk, yoman, makes thys my last will and testament. My body to be buried within the churche yerde of All Halloys of Fosdyke, with my mortuary to be payd after the lawe and statutes of the realme. To the high altare of Fosdyke iiijd. To every comptable light ther ijd. To the warke of our mother churche of Lincoln iiijd. To the pore chyldren at

s^t Catheryns ther ijd. To William Remy my sun [household goods], my rydyng knyffe, [etc.], at the age of xxij^{tv} yeres ; and yff he dy before the sayd age, I will the said legacy be evenly devydyd betwyxt Catheryn and Isabell Remy my doughters at the age of xvij yeres ; and yff either of them dy before the sayd age, then it shall be disposyd by my executrix and supervisor for the helthe of my soule, my wyffes [*folio 12*] soulys, my chylder soulys, and all crysten soulys. To Catheryn my daughter at the age off xvij yeres [household goods] ; and yff she dy, then it shall remayn to William Remy my sun at the age of xxij^{tv} yeres ; remainder to Isabell my daughter at the age of xvij yeres ; yff she die before the sayd age, then the legacy shall be disposyd by my executrix and my supervisor for the helthe of my soule, my wyffes soulys, my chylder soulys, and all crysten soulys. To Isabell Remy my daughter [household goods] at the age of xvij yeres ; and yff she dy, I will it remayn to Agnes my wyff. To Roger Garoke my wyffes sun. To Dorothe and Isabell Garoke. To Renolde Langrake and John Schell my servantes. To Nicholes Remy my brother. To Jenet my syster. To Agnes my wyff v stonglande lying in Gosberkyrke vj yeres immediatly aftyr my decesse ; and then I will it remayn to Catheryn my daughter and to her heyres of her body ; and yff she dy withoutt heyres of her body, then I will the lande remayn to William Remy my sun, to hym and to hys heyres and assynges. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Agnes my wyff, whome I make my executrix, and sir Stephyn Hethenes preste to be supervisor. Wytnes, sir Henry Rynger preste ; Simon Wylkynson ; and John Parker ; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 11 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF HENRY SHERMAN [OF DENTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 282d.]

28 December, 1531. Henry Sherman of Denton, seke in the body, makyth my last will. My bonys to be buryed in the church yerde of s^t Andro in Denton. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the high altare of s^t Androy viijd. To the bellys off Denton iiijd. To Elizabeth Inderwell. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff it to Alson Sherman my wyff, whome I make my executrix. Wytnes herof, sir Richerde Wylson ; John Byshop ; William Woodrof ; Richerd Hecokxe ; Henry Howytson ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 4 March, 1531-2.

TESTAMENT OF SIMON PORCHER [OF HOLBEACH].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 11.]

30 December, 1531. I Symon Porcher of Holbeche, though I be deceasyd and seke in body, make my testament and last will. Fyrst and before all thynge I commende my soule vnto Allmyghty God thrugh the gloriose intercession of the blesyd virgin and moder of mercy our Lady saynt Mary and all the holly citizens of heven, and my body to be buryed in the churche yerde of All Halloys of Holbeche. To the high altare of the sayd churche for my tithys forgottyn viijd., and to every altare within the sayd churche ijd. To the cathedrall churche of Lincoln ijd. To the faderles chylder at Lincoln ijd. To Jenet Holden. To

Walter Burton sun. To John Fletes sun. To Agnes Gauntes sun. To my fader one byrlyng. To my doughter Isabell xxvjs. viijd., and yff she departe thys present lyff or that she cum to laufull age, then I will that her parte be solde and my executors to hyre one honeste preste immediatly aftyr hyr departyng, and the same preste to syng for her soule and my soule and all crysten soulys so long as all the sayd money will extende. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Agnes my wyff and Isabell my doughter, whome I do make my executrices. I will that my foresayd fader shall be the supervisor, and for hys payn takyng vjs. viijd. And the buryall day of my body I will there shall be bestowyd for it xs., and at my vijth [day] vjs. viijd., and at my xxxth day iijs. Wytnes herunto, syr Richerde Whykham preste; Hennry Pennet; Robert Jakson; and other mo.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng 10 April, 1532.

THOMAS MOLDE [OF WEST HALTON].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 353.]

In the name of God so be yt, 31 December, 1531. I Thomas Molde of Westhalton, seeke in bodye and hole in mynde, make my will and testament. My body to be buried in the church yeard of st Tetheldrede in Halton, and I bequeathe for my mortuarye as the lawe requirithe. To our Ladye of Lincoln' xijd. To the hye alter in Halton churche viijd. To the reparacions of Halton churche vs. To Thomas my sonne ij quarters barlye to be paid to him after the feast of st Michaell next comminge. To my daughter Secellye halfe a quarter barlye to be paid after the forseyd feast of saynte Michaell'. The residewe of my goodes I geue to Agnes my wyfe and to Roberte Molde my sonne, whome I make myne executores, they to dispose for my sowle as they thinke moste conveniente and plesuer to allmighty God. Thes wittnes, sir Nicholas Leedes parsonne; sir Roberte Mote; Roberte Harryson; Roberte Hawys; cum aliis.

Proved before L., at Appulbie, 1 February, 1531-2.

TESTAMENT OF JOHN AUSTYN [OF LITTLE STEEPING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 392d.]

2 January, 1531-2¹. I John Austyn off Lyttyll Stepyng makes my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the churche of st Andro off Lyttyll Stepyng, and my mortuary aftyr the custome of the cuntry. To the anornamentes of our Lady altare at Lincoln xijd. To the highe altare of Lyttyll Stepyng xijd. To our Lady light in Stepyng churche vjd. To st John to st Thomas and to st Xp'of'er to every chon off them ijd. To the makynge of the gret bell of Lyttyll Stepyng xxs. To the iiiij orders off frerys in Boston to every house iijs. iiijd., xxd. to the place, and xxd. to the conuent. To the bellys at Halton xvjd., and to the ryngers iiijd. To Alyson my wyff iij kye, [etc.]. To Agnes my doughter my best cupborde and my nexte best fallen table, [etc.]. To my sun sir Thomas my swanne marke and all the swannys that belongs to it, my best foldyn table, my best furyrd gowne, and xxs. To my sun

¹ Perhaps a mistake for 1530-1.

William xlvijs. the whiche is in hys handes, [etc.]. To ichon of my chylder barnys one schepe. To Helene my daughter a yong qwy and xxs. I will that iij landes which I bought of John Copy of Halton be put in feoffys handes to kepe an obbyt yerely for me, my wyff, and all my chylder, for the terme of lxxx and xvij yeres, and to fynde a prykkyt of waxe to the high altare, and to gyff to the preste for messe and dirige iiijd., and to offer ij messe pennys, and to the ryngers iiijd. I gyff all my lande that I have in Halton and Stepyng to Alyson my wyff duryng her lyff yff so be that sche kepe her vnmaryed. And yff that sche be maryed agane I will sche haue xls. be yere clere and no lande. To Agnes my daughter a house callyd Wright house that William my sun wonnys in, whyth the pastre by it. Also I will that sche haue a lyttyll pastre callyd Foytyd pastre, and a pastre callyd Whatthyng by it. I will that William my sun haue the house and pastre that he dwellys in duryng hys mother lyff, he kepyng the house in repare. To William my sonne a pastre callyd Sowttofte, and halff one acre lying in Gunholmes, and that I will he haue w^t in a yere aftyr my decesse a acre longyng to it lying in the High Dales, and iij stong lying nexte Sturre Dyke. Also I will that William my sun haue all suche landes as Alyson my wyfe hath duryng her lyff aftyr the decesse off her excepte the house and the pastures that I have gyffyn to Agnes my daughter, the which house and pastres I have gyffyn to the forsayd Agnes to mary therwith her ij doughtters whose namys is Alice and Grace. I will that aftyr the decesse of William my sun that Robert hys sun haue the pastre in Halton felde and Whyttope garthe, and that at perteynyth to it; and yff the sayd Robert dye w^t owt heyres off hys body laufully begottyn then I will that Helene my daughter and Agnes my daughter haue it to them and ther heyres and ther assygners. The resydue of my goodes not bequethyd I putto Alyson my wyff and sir Thomas my sun, whome I make my executors, they to dispose it for my soule and all crysten soulys. Thes wytnesses, Walter Kelsay; John Fowler; Robert Preston; William Havmunde; w^t other mo.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 5 May, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. MITCHELL [OF NORTH ELKINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 392.]

2 January, 1531-2. I William Mittchel of Northelkyngton, husbandman, makes my will. My body to be buryd within the paryshe churche of s^t Helene in Northelkyngton. I gyff for brekyng of the grounde with in the sayd churche vs. of money and a quarter of barly, one halff to be payd in thys yere and the other halffe the nexte yere foloyng. To my eldest sonne John Mytchell my house with the purtenances buylodyd in Cestren gate in the paryshe of Louthe, to holde to hym and to hys heyres malys of hys body; and yff it happen the sayd John to decease withowt heyres males of hys body then I will my sayd house remayn to my other fyve sonnys, that is, John, John, Thomas, Robert, and William, every one of them singlerly aftyr others deceasse, and to the heyres males of ther bodys; remainder to the nexte of my blode. I will that all my goodes bothe within the house and withowt be devydyd in thre partes, fyrist parte to me parte to be disposyd for my soule helthe, the secund parte to Agnes my wyff, and the thyrde parte to be devydyd evenly

emong all my chyldren. I bequeethe of my parte to my sun Robert xx^{tv} schepe ; to my sun William xx^{tv} schepe ; to my doughtter Isabell xx^{tv} schepe ; to my doughtter Jenet ij schepe ; to my daughter Margaret one schepe ; to my sun Thomas one schepe ; to my godsun John Birin ij schepe ; to my sun William ; [folio 392d.] to my doughtter Isabell ; to my doughtter Alyson ; to sir Thomas Spaldyng vicar ; to my eldest sonne John ; to John my secund sun ; to John my thyrde sun ; to my goddoughtter Helene Tawx iiijd. ; to our Ladys warke in the monastery Lincoln of Lincoln [sic] iiijd. ; to the churche of Southelkyngton ijs. ; to the churche of Fotherby ijs. I will that the resydue off my goodes not disposyd nor bequethyd be evynly devydyd emong all my chyldren. [If any of them] decease before age of mariage, I will ther parte or partes be evenly devydyd emong them that lyffys. I will my eldest sonne John and Thomas Tawx be my executors, and Thomas Tawx shall have ijs. iiijd. for hys labor. I desyre sir Thomas Spaldyng vicar to be supervisor. Thes wytnesses, sir Thomas Spaldyng vicar ; John Benkes ; Philip Cowper ; Thomas Tawx ; Thomas Still ; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 7 February, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF MARGARET SMYTH [OF GAYTON IN THE MARSH].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 271.]

5 January, 1531-2. I Margaret Smyth of Gaton in the Marche, wydo woman, make orden and dispose thys my present testament conteyning therein my last will. My body to be buryed in the churche of Gaton, and for my berelay in the churche I gyff vnto the payntyng of the sepulcre vjs. viijd. To the sacramente of the same churche of Gaton vjd. To the high altare of the same a lynnyn schete with a blak sylke seame. To our Lady gylde iiijd. To st George gylde iiijd. I wytt and bequest vnto sir John Red my gostly father a trentall of messys for my soule and for my frendes as he can conueniently cum to say them, and for hys labor xs. To Thedilthorpe churche wich is of st Helene a cowe, for the wiche I will ther be founde a light yerly afore our Lady in the same churche. To Mawd Drax my doughter. To Jenet my doughter. To Elizabeth my doughter, and to ether of her chylder. To Agnes and Mawde my doughters. To sir John Red. To iiij godchylder iiij grottes. I gyff to be disposyd at the day of my berelay xs. To Agnes Droke. I will that John Bust and Rawff Drax be my executors, and to have for ther labors ether of them vs. The reste of my goodes not wyt be disposyd for the helthe of my soule. I will that sir William Whyte and Richerd Droke be my supervisors. Thes wytnes, sir William Hunt ; sir John Red ; Xp'of'er Bicrofte ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Alford, 16 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS GOOSE [OF EAST KIRKBY].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 391.]

7 January, 1531-2. I Thomas Goose of Estkyrkby makes my last testament. My body to be buryd in the churche of st Nicholes of Kyrkby foresayd. To our Ladys warke of Lincoln vjd. To the parysh altare off Kyrkby xijd. To the churche warke ther vjs. viijd. To the reparacions of our Lady altare ther vjd. To Jeshus altare ther iiiijd.

To the reparacion of s^t Catheryne altare iiijd. To the bellys ther ijs. To byng of one hersse clothe ther xs. To the sayd Kyrkby churche one pare of senssers. To our Lady light ther xx^d. To saynt Catheryns gylde ther one weder. To All Halloy light ther xx^d. To a seculer preste to pray for my soule all my frendes soulys and all crysten soulys by the space of ij yeres xl. To the churcewardons of Kyrkby ij ky for ever, that is to say for the mayntenynge and repayryng of the high ways within the parysh of Kyrkby, wher they and the paryshoners shall thynke it moste nede to be mayd. To my executors or ther assygnes for one obit to be kepyd yerly in Kyrkby churche at my yere day by the space of xx^{tv} yeres nexte aftyr my decesse vj. xiijs. iiijd., that is to say yerely vjs. viijd., wheroft shall be payd to the curat iiijd., and one messe peny to every other preste ther iiijd., to the parysh clerke ijd., to every other clerke that synges jd., to the ryngers iiijd. And that that dothe remayne of the sayd vjs. viijd. I will it be gyffyn to pore people of Kyrkby in almys to pray for my soule, my wyffes soulys Sibill and Agnes, my father and my mother John and Alice, my daughters Jane and Helioner, Thomas Scamon, and all crysten soulys. And aftyr thys maner I will it be done yerely by the space of the sayd xx^{tv} yeres, I will that my executors cause a dirige to be sung for me and peny dole for as many as cumys at the day of my buryall; I will that my executors gyff att my seventh day xs. for dirige and in almys, and at my xxx^{tv} day as myche. To iiij men that bearys my body to the churche every one of them iiijd.; to ij pore folkes for prayng for my soule ij gowyns. To our Lady chauntry of Kyrkby forsayd to be prayd for ever one cownter and my gret spyt. I will that the abbot of Revesby have to pray for me xx^d., and every monke ther iiijd. To every one of my godchylldern dwellyng within [folio 39rd.] Kyrkby xijd. To Robert Adlarde and to hys wyff one sylke rybbyn. To Anne Barryt my goddoughter vjs. viijd., [etc.]. To Margery Rawlet xiijs. iiijd. To Anne Bate. To Margaret Swete xxs. To Dorothe Atwell xxs. which is in her father handes John Atwell. To Martyn Barret hys wyff and every one of hys chyldren iiijd. To Margaret Parhoo vjs. viijd. To Catheryne Chester iijs. iiijd. To Helene Chester my servant her hole yere wagys. To Thomas Doly xijd. To the churche warke of Hagneby iijs. iiijd. To Mynyngesby churche warke ijs. My will is that all men schall knaw that I have sold all my landes and tenementes that I have in Lincoln schyre to Thomas Gyldon to have to hym and to hys heyres in fee for the somme of xl. sterlyng to be payd in maner and forme foloyng, at the feste of All Saintes nexte aftyr the calling of the sayd Thomas Goose to his mercy owt of thys present worlde xx^{tv} markes to my executors or ther assygners, and so at the feste of All Saintes nexte yere foloyng other xx^{tv} markes, and also at the sayd feste of All Saintes nexte yere foloyng aftyr that other xx^{tv} markes; notwithstanding I will that my feoffers to stande and be seasyd off and in all the premises to my use duryng my lyffe, and aftyr my decesse to the use of the sayd Thomas Gyldon and to hys heyres in fee. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to sir Robert Wryght and sir Richerde Salter, whome I make my executors for to dispose them w^t in the parysh of Kyrkby as they shall thynke best for my soule my frendes soulys, and all crysten soulys. Thes beyng wytnesses, sir John Parcar vicar; William Yrland; Walter Hamonde; Thomas Vnkle elder; Robert Heed junior;

and Robert Castill of Kyrkby ; with other mo. I make Thomas Gyldon swyre supervisor.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 17 January, 1531-2. Administration granted to sir Richard Salter, power being reserved to grant to sir Robert Wryght.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD PASMER [OF SUTTERTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 335d.]

10 January, 1531-2. I Richerd Pasmere off Sutterton makes my testament. My body to be buried in the holy churchyerde of our blesyd Lady of Sutterton. To the high altare of our blesyd Lady for tithys negligently forgottyn iiijd. To our Lady of Sutterton, callyd our Whyte Lady ijd. To the Plough light of Sotterton ijd. To our mother church of Lincoln iiijd. To Emot my wyffe. To Thomas my sonne. To Catheryne my doughter. To George my sonne. To William my sonne. I surrendre into the handes of William Bogge of Sutterton my mansion in the whiche I dwell and all the landes that I do holde be coppye of my lord the abbot and the convent of Croyland. I will that the sayd Wylliam Bogge at the next lette holden Dowdecke hall do make surrender of the sayd mansyon and landes to Thomas Passemere my sone aftyr the custome of the lordschip and tenor of the sayd landes. I will that Emot my wyff have her wonyng in the mansion and the rent of the landes holden by copy of my lorde and convent of Croylande the space of viij yeres nexte together foloyng the date herof, acquietyng and payng all rentes and charges belongyng to the sayd mansion and landes, towarde the noryshyng, fyndyng, and bryngyng up of my chylder. I will that wyth parcell of the resydue of my other goodes not bequethyd that Emote my wyff, whome I make my executrix, bring me forthe, [etc.], to the pleasyng off God and helthe to my soule. I will when my body is brought forthe, my dettes payd, and thys my wyll fulfyllyd by the oversight of William Bogge, whome I make supervisor, all the resydue of my goodes to be evenly devydyd emong my chylder by even porcions. And yff [folio 336] it fortune any of my chylder to dye before the age of xvij yeres, [etc.]. Thes whytnes, Thomas Hulton gentleman ; Roger Bussy ; Richard Bennacle ; William Passemere ; William Sewell ; and Thomas Thonerde ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF MICHAELL SMYTH [OF ULCEBY BY ALFORD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 270d.]

10 January, 1531-2. I Michel Smyth off Ulceby makyth this my last will and testament. My body to be buried within the church yerde off All Halloys in Ulceby. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the high altare of Ulceby viijd. To the church warke of the same iijs. iiijd. To st Margaret of Kettisby iiijd. To our Lady of Walsyngham iiijd. To the good roode of Boston iiijd. To John, Robert, George, William and Richerd my sonnes. To Alson my doughter a cowe, [etc.], to be delyveryd her at her mariage. To Jenet, Margaret, and Elizabeth my doughters. I will that a trentall be done for the helth of my soule and all my good frendes soulys. To Margaret my wyff my lyttyll house in Ulceby with the closys to the felde syde as the banke lyeth, with the lyttyll close be

syde m^r Rygges grounde, with vj acres lande in other felde, duryng the terme of her lyff; also all my housyng, closyng, and landes within the lordschip of Vlceby and Forthyngton with ther appurtenances for the terme of iiiij yeres. And yff it fortune that John my sonne and here decesse within the sayd iiiij yeres, then I will that Margaret my wyff have the sayd landes till suche tyme as my heres cum to lauffull age, and I will that she leve the sayd landes in sufficient repare at the ende of her yeres. All the resydue of my goodes not wytt nor gyffen I gyff to Margaret my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose for the well of my soule. To William my brother ij acres lande in Forthyngton felde for the space of one yere, and he to be supervisor. Wytnesses, sir Thomas Hawkysworth; Jamys Scherpe; and John Dande; with many mo.

Proved before P., at Alford, 16 April, 1532.

TESTAMENT OF RICHARD ALCOKE [OF CLAYPOLE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 371.]

12 January, 1531-2. I Richerd Alcoke of Clapole makes and ordens my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of the holy appostellys Peter and Paul in Claypole. To the high altare of Claypole for tythys forgotten vjd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iiijd. To the cawsy of Clapole iiijd. To Alyson my daughter iiijl, and her mother to haue the kepyng therof iij yere, and aftyrwarde her mother for to delyuer vnto her suche good as she may the best spare at the request of her brother and William Parker and John Alcock. To William Alcock, Gylbert Alcocke, and John Alcock my sonnys my toffe in Farneton with all the purtenances and the commodities that belongeth therto. To the church warke off Clapole xijd. To Stubton churche iiijd. To William my sone my best russyt gowne and my best doblet. To Gylbert my sone a yowe hogge. To Agnes Copeland half a quarter barly. To John my sone a wether hog. To John Alcock sone of William Alcock a bushyll barly. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Margaret my wyff, whome I make my trewe executrix, she for to dispose them as she thynkes best for the helthe of my soule. Thes wytnes, sir Robert Hertlay; Thomas Pulle; Richerd Clerke; and many moy. I will that William Alcock and Richerd my sonys be supervisors.

Proved before P., at Ancaster, 29 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN CARTER [OF GRANTHAM].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 283d.]

12 January, 1531-2. I John Carter of Grantham make my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of st Wolfran in Grantham. To the blesyd sacrament viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. All the resydue of my goodes I gyff them fully to my sonnys Henry Carter and Jamys Carter, whome I make my executors to bring me to the grounde with them, [etc.]; and the rest of the sayd goodes to be distributyd as they thynke best for the helthe of my soule. Thes beryng whytnes, sir Thomas Newton; Thomas Preston; William Houchynson; with moy.

Proved before P., at Grantham, 4 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF EDMUND PERCY [OF SUTTERTON].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 67d.]

16 January, 1531-2. I Edmunde Percy of Sutterton makes my testament concludyng therin my last will. My body to be buryed in the holy church yerde of our blesyd Lady of Sutterton, and my mortuary aftyr the statutes newly orderyd by the parliament of our soverayn lorde kyng [Henry¹] the eight, in the xxj yere of hys reigne. To the high altare of our blesyd Lady of Sutterton for tithys negligently forgottyn iiijd. To the hornonament of every altare within the same churche ijd. To every [folio 68] light comptable within the same churche ijd. To our mother churche of Lincoln ijd. To the orphans of st Catheryns withoutt the wallys of Lincoln ijd. To Catheryne my wyf iiij mylke kye of the best, ij marys of the best. To William my sonne ij maryes, one stag, and one burlyng. To John my sonne one burlyng and vj schepe. To Thomas my sonne one burlyng and iiiij schepe. To Agnes my daughter one cowe with her calffe. To William Penson my godsun one calffe to be delyveryd at Mayday. To Catheryne my wyff my mansion with ij acres lande therto belongyng the terme of her lyff naturall, provydyd that she nothe^r to make strype nor waste, nor make no remove of the horsemayne theron standyng, and aftyr her decesse I gyff the sayd mansion with the ij acres grounde to William my sonne and to the heyres of hys body laufully begottyn, and yff it fortune him to decesse with owt such heyres, then I gyff the premises to John and Thomas my sonnys evenly to be devydyd and to ther heyres of ther bodys, remainder to Isabell and Agnes my doughtters and to the heyres of ther bodys. To Catheryne my wyff ij acres grounde callyd Jossone garthe the space of viij yeres nexte foloyng the date heroff, and then I gyff the sayd ij acres to John and Thomas my sonnys in fee symple, provydyd when it shall be thought expedient and proffitable to Catheryne my wyff within the terme of the sayd viij yeres I will the sayd Catheryne to fell and sell the wood and tymber growyng off and uppon the sayd ij acres by the best price she can, and the money therof takyn I will be devydyd betwene Katheryne [folio 68d.] my wyff, William, John, and Thomas my sonnys in equall porcions; and I will that the fencer and clawser of the stowin be takyn of the hole somme that it is solde for. To John and Thomas my sonnys one jake, one salet, one gorgeyt, a pare of splyntes, one byll, one knyff, and one bukler evenly to be devydyd betwne them. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff and put to the disposicion of Catheryne Percy my wyff, whome I orden and make to be my executrix to bring me furthe as she shall thynke best to plese God for the most helthe and proffyt for my soule and for all xp'en soulys by the oversyght of William Percy of Spaldyng, whome I make supervisor, to whome I gyff for hys labor and besynes vs. sterlyng. Thes wytnes, sir Richerd Wade parysh preste; Roger Booso of Sutterton; John Thomison; and Richerd Thomsone of Algargyrke.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 October, 1532.

¹ Omitted.

TESTAMENT OF ROBERT AYER [OF TOFT GRANGE IN THE PARISH OF KIRKBY ON BAIN].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 15.]

18 January, 1531-2. I Robert Ayer off toft graunge withyn the paryche off Kyrkby super Bayn, yoman, mayke thys my last wyll. My body to be buried in the monastery off our lady in Reuysby. To our mother chyrche warkes off Lincoln xijd. To the hye awter off Kyrkeby xijd. To the fyndyng of a serge before the crucifyx ijs. To Knayth churche iijs. iiijd. To John Ayr my sone. To Annas my dozhter. To Margarett my dozhter. To my lord and convent off Reuesby xs. to do a trentall off massis for the helth off my sowle. To Agnes Aylen [sic] a quee. To John Overbury. I will that Jenett my wyffe haue my howse at Marum with all that belongyth thereto whych ys in the holdyng off Thomas Adam roper for the terme off hyr lyffe, and after hyr decesse I wyll that John my sone haue hytt to hym and to hys heres off hys body, and yff he dye withoutt seche heres, then I wyll that Xp'ofe my sone haue ytt to hym and to hys heres off hys body ; remainder to Robert my sone to hym and to hys heres off hys body ; remainder to Agnes and Margarytt my dozhters and there heres. To Xp'ofe my sone a howse in Marum with all that belongytth thereto whyche ys in the holdyng off Thomas Lawson, to hym and to hys heres off hys body ; remainder to John my sone, to hym and to hys heres off hys body ; remainder to Robert my sone to hym and to hys heres off hys body ; remainder to Agnes and Margaret my dozhters to them and to their heres. To Robert my sone a howse in Marum whyche ys in the holdyng of John Wryght, when he shall cum to lawfull age, and tyll that tyme I wyll that Ezabell Elwold my syster have yt, and yff the sayd Robert dye withote heres off hys body then I wyl that John my sone have yt to hym and to hys heres off body ; remainder to Xp'ofe my sone to hym and to hys heres off hys body ; remainder to Agnes and Margaret my dowghters. I wyll that my howse att Stykney be sold after the mynd off my lord off Revesby, and my executors have the mony to be devydyd betwyxe Jenet my whiffe and John Mawe hyr brother. The resedewe off my guddes I gyffe them to Jenett my whiff, Cuthbert Ayere and John Ayere my sonnes, whom I mayke my executors to dispose for the helthe of my sowle. I wyll that my lord off Revesbe be supervisar. To sir John Robinson. Also I wyll that Jenett my wyffe have the rent off the howse off Xp'ofe Ayere tyll he cum att lawfall age. Thes beyng wyttnes, m^r Vmfray Myssenden ; sir John Robinson pryst ; and Robert Aleyne ; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 16 May, 1532, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF NICHOLAS SMYTH [OF THORGANBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 287.]

18 January, 1531-2. I Nicholes Smyth of Thurganby makes my last will and testament. My body to be buried in the churche yerde of All Halloys in Thurganby. To the high altare of Thurganby xijd. To our Lady off Lincoln viijd. To our Lady warke iiijd. To s^t Hugh hede iiijd. To s^t Romans ijd. To the kyrke of Thurganby vjs. viijd. to fynde a serge of a pounde wax to burne at the leuacion tyme of the messe afore the sacrament in the quere. To the same kyrk of Thurganby a quarter

barly. To the churche of Swynhope a quarter berly. To the chapell bryg off Thurganby xvjd. To the chapell of the same viijd. To the sepulcre light in Thurganby xijd. To the nonnys of Irforth, to my lady priorisse viijd., and to every nonne off the same place iiijd. To the chanon of the same place iiijd. To Croxby kyrke viijd. To Hatclyff kyrke viijd. To Westrandall kyrke vjd. To Woldenewton kyrke vjd. To my mother xijs. iiijd. To Margaret my syster iijs. iiijd. To Helene my syster iijs. iiijd. To sir Robert Gelle xs. to pray for me. To William Gunderby my vnkyl xvjs. which he ought me. To John my brother. To everyone of my god chylder. To Emme my syster daughter. To Alyson my syster daughter. To John my syster sonne. To Robert William and Margaret my syster chylder. To William Gunderby my vnkyl sone. To Robert Androy a sleeveles cote of tawny. The resydewe of my goodes I gyff to William Beche my brother in lawe, whome I make my executor to dispose for my soule. Thes recorde, sir Robert Gell ; Thomas Stevenson ; and Henry Whyte ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 9 February, 1531-2, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF JENITE GRENE [OF WRANGLE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 332.]

19 January, 1531-2. I Jenet Grene of Wrangle makes thys my last will and testament. [folio 332d.] My body to be buryed within the church yerde of Wrangle be my husbande. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. To our Lady gylde of Wrangle iiijd. To John Whyetney, William Whyetney, Thomas Wasteler, and Agnes Wastleyr, schepe, [etc.] I will my other schepe be solde be my executors whome I make John Whyetney and Grace Grene, and the money of the sayd schepe be disposyd in warkes of charite for my soule and all crysten soulys upon the day of my buryall, viij day, and xxx day. The resydue of my goodes I will remayn to Grace Grene for to pray for my soule for evermore. Thyses beyng wytnesses, Leonerd Bawdry ; John Clymson ; John Hatson ; Richerd Gray ; William Stevenson the yonger ; with other.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532. Administration granted to Grace Grene, the executrix, she being sworn in the presence of John Whyetney, the co-executor, who refused to take upon himself the burden of execution.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS HARDE [OF BILLINGHAY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 294.]

20 January, 1531-2. I Thomas Herde of Byllyngay makes my testament and last wyll. My body to be buryed in the church of st Androy the appostell off Byllyngay. To the high altare in the churche of Byllyngay for tithys forgottyn ijs. To the reparacion of our mother churche in Lincoln xijd. To the high altare of our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the chanons and nonnys of Catlay iijs. iiijd. To the iiij orders of frerys in Lincoln iiijs. I will that v messys of the v woundes of our Saviour Crist Jhesu be celebrat and song in the churche of Byllyngay for my soule helthe. To the reparacions of the bellys of Byllyngay iijs. iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Beatrix my wyff, whome I make my executrix, she for to dispose for my soule helthe. To every god chylde

that I have within the parysh of Byllyngay iiijd. I make John Herde of Byllyngay the supervisor, and to have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Thes beyng wytnes, Thomas Lytster vicar of Byllyngay; William Williamson; Walter Bate; Robert Dykynson; William Hall; Thomas Gylberde; and John Gladwyn.

Proved before P., at Naneby, 9 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT WOWSSE [OF ASLACKBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 284d.]

20 January, 1531-2. I Robert Wowsse makes my last will. My obdy to be buryed in the kyrke yerde of st Jamys in Aslakby. I wyt to the high altare xijd. To the kyrke warkes xijd. To st Jamys one pounde of wax. I wyt to our Lady halff a pounde of wax. I wyt to our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. I wyt Edwardre my sonne one fely stag, [etc.]. To Elizabeth and Johan my doughters. I make my wyff my executor to dispose for the helthe of my soule and bryngyng up of my chyldren. Wytnes herof, William Barber; John Browne; William Cron; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Burne, 7 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD BENACLE [OF SWINESHEAD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 333.]

23 January, 1531-2. I Richerde Benacle off Swyneshed make my testament concernyng my last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of our Lady in Swyneshed. To the high altare ther for tithys forgottyn iiijd. To every altare in the sayd churche ijd. To the church warke ther iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln ijd. To the faterles chyldren of st Catheryns nygh Lincoln jd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alice my wyff, my dettes payd, whome I make my executrix, she to bring up my chyldren and to dispose for the welthe of my soule as she thynkes best. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Garton vicar; John Obson; Richerde Sherpe; cum aliis.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. KNYGHT [OF SWINESHEAD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 332d.]

23 January, 1531-2. I Thomas Knyght of Swyneshed make my testament concernyng my last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of our Lady in Swyneshed. To the altare ther for tithys forgottyn xijd. To every altare in the sayd churche iiijd. To the church warke ther iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln viijd. To the faterles chylder of st Catheryns viijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to the disposition of Richerde Barlyman my father in law, he to gyff and dispose them as he thynkes best. Thes whytnes, sir Thomas Garton vicar; Thomas Dykonson; Richerd Sherpe; cum aliis.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT SHERPE [OF BARROWBY].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 45.]

23 January, 1531-2. I Robert Sherpe off Barughby, husbandman, seke the body, hole the mynde, do make my will and testament. My body to be buryed within the churche of All Saintes in Barughby. To the highe altare in the same churche for tithys forgottyn ijs. Also unto the parsonne of the same churche in recompence of my mortuary and dischargeyng of my conscience vs. I will have at my buryall dirige with note, and to be delte unto all people ther beyng halpeny bred. To the red arke in the cathedrall churche of our blessed Lady in Lincoln xijd. To the reparacions of the churche of Barughby iijs. iiijd. To Harlaxton churche xvjd. To Gunwerby churche vijd. To the frerys off Grantham xs. for a trentall of messys. To every one of my godchylde beyng within the space of viij mylys of Barughby a schepe hogge. To the reparacions of the high way abowte the towne and the lordeschip of Barughby xijd. To Jenet Harnolde of Harlaxton. To Agnes Addam my syster one of my balde feles. [folio 45d.] To Thomas Huitson. To Jenet Huyston. To Robert Huyston my godsone. To Isabell Hunton my servant. To Elizabeth and Alice my doughters. To Crystyne Ameyrays. To the mayntenaunce of our Lady light in the churche of Barughby a yowe schepe. To Henry Scherpe. To John my servant. To Isabell Robson. To every cotcher in Barughby that goys not with a plugh a pecke of malte. To Walter Hornoll. To Robert Adam of Harlaxstone. I will that all my housholde stuff be devydyd indifferently emonges my iiij doughters, and the sayd doughters and ther partes to be at the putting and gydyng of John Harnolde off Harlaxstone and Thomas Harberde of Barughby untill they be of xiiij yeres of age, and then I will ther stuff be delyveryd unto them. And yff any of them departe owt of thys worlde afore they come to the sayd age, then I will ther parte remayn unto the other, and so from one to another. And yff they all departe thys worlde or they come to the sayd yeres, then I will it be devydyd betwyxte my ij systers. I will that my executors shall sell my lande to the performingyng of my will and to pay my dettes, and the overplus off the money to be devydyd indifferently emonges my iiij doughters; and the resydue of all my goodes be indifferently devydyd by evyn porcions emonges my iiij doughters; and the sayd doughters with ther partes to be at the governyng and putting of John Harnolde of Harlaxstone and Thomas Harberd of Barughby untill they be off xiiij yeres off age. And when they do cum to the sayd yeres I will they have ther partes delyveryd unto them. And yff it fortune that any of them departe owt of thys worlde afore they do cum to the age aforesayd, then I will that parte remayn unto the other of my doughters, [folio 46] and yff they all departe, then I will the sayd goodes be disposyd for the helthe of my soule and all my good frendes soulys at the discretion of John Harnolde and Thomas Harbarde with the councell of sir William Meyson my gostly father. I orden John Harnolde and Thomas Habarde [*sic*] my executors, and ether of them to have for ther labor vjs. vijd., and sir William Meyson my gostly father to be supervisor, and to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Thes beyng wytnes, Walter Harnolde of Barughby; Robert Smyth of the same towne; with certen other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 11 July, 1532. Administration granted to John Harnolde power being reserved to grant to Thomas Harbarde.

THE TESTAMENT OF GEORGE SCREVENER [OF GREAT LIMBER].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 286.]

24 January, 1531-2. I George Screvener of Lymburgh Magna do make my will and testament. My body to be buryed in the church of st Peter of Lymburgh Magna, with my mortuary as the lawe requyirth. To the high altare in the sayd churche xijd. To the anorning of the sacrament vjd. To the high altare of our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the churchwarke of our Lady of Lincoln vjd. To the gilde of st Thomas in Lymburgh halff a quarter of barly. To every one of my godchylder iiijd. To one prest one quarter sowde to syng for my soule. The resydew of my goodes I gyff to Jennet Screvener my wyff, whome I make my executor to dispose to the helthe off my soule and all crysten soulys. Thes wytnes, sir Robert Jonson ; Nicholes Screvyn ; and Richerd Sargeand ; with other moy.

Proved at Castre, 5 February, 1531-2. Administration granted to the executrix.

THE TESTAMENT OF ANDREW SHALLOK [OF BOSTON].
 [L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 207.]

25 January, 1531-2. I Andro Shallok off Boston, draper, make my testament and last wyll. My body to be buryed within the churche off sanct Botulphe in Boston. To my mortuary that the law requyerte To the hyght alter in Boston for tythes forgootton xijd. To our mother chyrche off Lincoln xijd. To the orphans att saynt Kateryns without the barres att Lincoln xijd. To the hyght altar in Conysby xijd. To Jamys Shalok my brother and hys chylder sevyn poundes equally to be devydyd emonges them. To the same Jamys my tawny gowne furyd with blak lame, a dublett, a jakett, and a peyre off hosse. To Alson Goodhusband my syster asmuche blak clothe as wyll make her a gowne, and a kyrtyll off worsted whyche was my wifys, or else asmuche new clothe as wyll make her a kertyll. To Alan Kele beydman and Robert hys brother ether off them a jakett and a peyre off hose. To Marion Hogeson a gowne of my wifys, or else asmuche clothe as wyll make her a gowne. To sir Wylliam Shalok my brother son xxs. The resydew off my guddes and catell no [sic] geven nor bequethed, and also my copy hold renttes, I geve them to Wylliam Tomlinson off Boston mercer, he to receve my dettes and pay my dettes and bryng me furthe, whom I doo make my sole executor. I wyll that Jamys my brother be supervisor of thys my testament and last wyll yff it pleys hym. These beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Cercy prest ; Rychard Wace ; Wylliam Bolles ; and Nycholas Blewett ; with other ; the daie and yere above wrytten.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 15 December, 1533.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT CHERYNGTON [OF DONINGTON IN HOLLAND].
 [L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 91d.]

1 February, 1531-2. I Robert Cheryngton of Donyngton in Hollande make my testament and last will. My body to be buryd within the church yerde of Donyngton. To the high altare of Donyngton for tithys forgottyn xijd. To every altare with in the same churche iiijd. To every light that standes abowt my herce abowt my buryall day jd.

To our Ladys altare at Lincoln xijd. To the fatherles chyldren at st Catheryns iiijd. To Alice Cheryngton my daughter ij kye. To Margaret Cheryngton my daughter ij kye. To Robert Dawsson my godchylde. I will that Alice and Margaret my doughtters have ther kye, at the age of xvij yeres ; and yff other off them dye or that they cum to the age of xvij yeres, then I will that ether of them be other heyres ; and they dy bothe or that they cum to that age, then I will that Jelyan Cherynton my wyff have them to do with them as she thynkes best. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to Jelyan my wyff, whome I make my executrix. Thes beyng wytnes, Henry Fell ; William Foster ; Thomas Tare ; William Cheryngton ; John Garby ; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Donyngton, 18 February, 1532-3.

THE TESTAMENT OF PARNELL COOKE [OF DRY DODDINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 290d.]

3 February, 1531-2. I Parnell Cooke of Dodyngton, wydoy, make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of All Halloys of Westburgh. I bequeth my best beaste to my curate for tithis forgottyn. To the church of Westburgh iijs. iiijd. To the high altare of Westburgh xijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the chapell of Dodyngton iijs. iiijd. To the repayryng of Dodyngton bryges xijd. To the new cawsy at Westburgh vjs. viijd. To the frerlys Observantes of Newarke xs. To the church of Benyngton iiijd. To the churche of Clapole iiijd. To the church of Stubton iiijd. To the churche of Hough iiijd. To the chapell of Gelston iiijd. To the church of Hougham iiijd. To the frerlys of Lincoln of the iiij orders to every one of them iiijd. To the frerlys of Grantham. To Thomas Freman of Lincoln and to his wyff. To Robert Freman. To William [folio 291] Johnson and his wyff. To Richerd, John, and Alice Cooke. To Richerd Lyster my servant. To Agnes Clerke. To Jenet Alen my servant. To William Sclatour. To Hugh Clerke the sonne of Thomas Clerke. To Richerd Clerke his brother. To m^r William Smyth vjs. viijd. To Thomas Awdlen vjs. viijd. and to every one of hys chylder. To every of [sic] gylde of Dodyngton. To our Lady gylde of Westbrughe. To Parnell Thomson. To William Colson. To Robert Harmeston. I gyff the resydue of my godchyldren in Dodyngton to every one of them a schep. To Elizabeth Kyghlay. To Margaret Colby. To William Newcom. I gyff to all the resydue of my other godchylder every one of them iiijd. To sir Robert Walhill parson of Westburgh ; to sir Robert Alcock. To Richerd Kyghley. To Alice Kyghley. To sir Stephyn Howlet vicare of Westburgh iijs. iiijd. To William Kepe. The residew of my goodes I gyff to sir Stephin Howlet, to William Colby, to Stephyn Cooke, whome I make my executors that they may dispose my goodes to the proffyt of my soule as they thynke beste. Thes beyng wytnes, George Colby ; John Thomson ; William Kepe ; John Ellys ; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 17 February, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM LECHE [OF FULLETBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 339d.]

3 February, 1531-2. I William Leche of Fulletby, husbandman, seke of body, makes thys my last will and testament. My body to

be buried in the churche of st Androy of Fulletby, with that at the lawe dothe require in the name off my mortuary. To the high altare of Fulletby for tithys forgottyn viijd. To the reparacions of the same churche xxs. To our Lady warke of Lincoln viijd. To the high altare of the same iiijd. To the churche of Belcheforthe viijd. To Isabell Leche my doughter. To sir Robert Leche my sone. To Robert Smert for hys [folio 340] wagys for the tyme that he wonte with me. To Alyson Smert my doughter. To my ij godchylder at Richerd Hardys. To Agnes Day. To John Hardy of Fulletby. To Alyson and Isabell my doughters. I will that all my houshold stuff not bequethyd be devydyd in thre partes, and Agnes my doughter to have one parte Isabell my doughter to have the other ij partes equally to be devydyd. To Isabell Brakenborow. To Isabell Leche my doughter my house that I wonne in with the lande and medoys that longes unto it, to occupy the same the terme of iiiij yere with Capon garthe and the appurtenance thereto belongyng, payng the lordes rent. I will that at the ende of the iiiij yere the house, iiiij oxen, and ij horse be solde be my executors and dispose it for my soule and my frendes soulys and all cristen soulys. I will that my lande callyd Basse lande remayn to Alyson Smerte my doughter the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease it shall remayn to Agnes my doughter her lyff, remainder to Isabell my doughter her lyff, remainder to the eldst of ther chyldren. To Thomas my chylde. To William Webster. I will have one preste to sing for my soule and all cristen soulys one yere. To our Lady ffrerys off Lincoln iijs. iiiijd. To [folio 340d.] the frerys of the Gresefote iijs. iiiijd. To the Gray ffrerys of Boston iijs. iiiijd. To the Augustyn ffrerys of Boston iijs. iiiijd. To William Leche the yonger vjs. viijd. To Nicholes Leche vjs. viijd. To Xp'of'er Leche vjs. viijd. To Simond Leche iijs. iiiijd. To Edward Leche iijs. iiiijd. To Margaret Leche. To Robert Leche. To Robert Hardy. The resydue of my goodes I gyve to Richerd Hardy of Fulletby, sir Robert Leche off Belcheforth my sone, and Isabell Leche my doughter, whome I make my executors for to dispose it for the helthe of my soule and all cristen soulys as they thynke best. In wytnes, sir William Kytchyn the parysh preste of Fulletby; Richerd Shorte of the same; William Smyth of the same; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 12 April, 1532. Administration granted to Richard Hardye the executor, power being reserved to grant to Robert and Isabel Leche the children. On 15 April following the said Isabel appeared personally in the parish church of Parteney, and administration was granted to her.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. SMYTH [OF DRY DODDINGTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 292d.]

4 February, 1531-2. I William Smyth of Dodyngton sett my last will. My body to be buried in the church yerde of All Halloys off Westburgh. To the high altare off Westburgh iiijd. To the church of Westburgh iiijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln. To the church of Dodyngton iiijd. To the chapel of Dodyngton viijd. To John Pateman of Benyngton my godsun sonne of Richerd Pateman too landes of wheate and too of barly of the landes of Jamys Lettyn. The resydue of my goodes I gyff it to Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make executrix to

dispose for the well of my soule as she thynkes best. Thes wytnes, sir Stevyn Howlet vicar; Robert Parysh; and Richerd Jakson; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Ancastre, 8 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN STRYNGER [OF HARMSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 293d.]

4 February, 1531-2. I John Strynger of Harmeston makes my testament. My body to be buryd within the church yerde of Harmeston. To the high altare of Harmeston iiijd. and to our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the orphans of st Savior withoutw Lincoln iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Catheryn my wyff, whome I make my executrix that she may dispose it for my soule my frend soulys and all crestyn soulys. Wytnes, sir Leonerd Dykson; John Boke; Thomas Lokyng; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Naneby, 9 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF EDWARD BAWTRE [OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 147d.]

6 February, 1531-2. I Edwarde Bawtre of Boston, merchaunt of the staple at Calice, makes thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryd within the paryshe churche of Boston where my father and mother lyes. To the high altare in Boston for tithes forgottyn xxd. To s^t Botulphe tabernacle iijs. iiijd. To our mother churche of Lincoln xijd. To every order of frerys in Boston for accompanyng my body to the churche xxd. I will that all my dettes be payd. I will that all maner of my moveable goodes be praysyd and solde. And John Buttres chyldren to have ther father bequestes. I will that all the resydue [folio 148] of my goodes be devydyd emonges my iiiij chyldren, that is to wyt, Jane, Mary, Margaret, and William after the maner and forme foloyng, to William my sun xxl. at the age of xxj^{tv} yeres, to Jane my daughter xx^{tv} markes at the age of xvij yeres, to Mary my daughter xl^{tv} markes at the age of xvij yeres, to Margaret my daughter xxl. at the age of xvij yeres. Yff my goodes will not performe thys my last will my dettes and burying payd, then I will it be deductyd of every parte rate and rate lyke and equally aftyr thys same forme as it is set. To William my sun my house that I bought off Osse, and all my housys in Bargate, my house that Spynkes hath, and all my lande in Freston. To Mary my daughter my house in the tenure off William Etwell. To Jane my daughter my hed house for it is her mother feoffement. To Thomas Sutton hys lande in Byker that I bought of hym, he payng to my executors for it xl^{tv} markes, for it coste me xxxl. as shall appere by hys owne hande. I will that thes xl^{tv} markes helpe to fulfyll thys my will legaces and bequestes. I will that suche goodes as John Buttrel hath in hys howse of myne be praysyd and to let hym have the flettes and all other hustylmentes ther better chepe then any man be xxs. yff he wyll, and yff he will not then I will that they be solde to the moste proffyt by the discretion of myne executors. Yff the sayd John will have the pasture that is the morgage I will that he have all the yeres in parte of payment of hys bequestes for xl., and it is worth xxl. Yff

the sayd William my sun decease or he cum to the age of xxj^{ty} yeres I will that hys lande be devydyd betwene Mary and Margaret aftyr thys forme, I will that Mary have my brew house with all the implementes and all my lande in Freston, and Margaret the house that Spynkes hath and all my housys in Bargate ; and hys legaces of money to be equally [folio 148d.] devydyd betwene Mary and Margaret at the age of xvij yeres. Iff Jane dy, then I will that William have the hed house, and he to gyff to ether of my doughters that lyffys xxs. a yere towards ther fyndyng. Yff Mary dye then I will that her house in the tenure of Etwell remayn to William, and the money shall be equally devydyd emong them that lyffys. Yff Margaret dye, then I will that her parte of all before rehersyd remayn emonges them that lyffys. Iff they all dy or they cum to the age before rehersyd, then I will that my landes remayn to the heyres off William Quadryng of Irby, and he shall kepe an obbyt for me in Boston churche in st Peter gylde to the value of iijl. yerely ; and yff he fale to do it, then I will that he forfeit to the prior of Freston xl. for every yere. I will also yff they all dye before the age aforesayd, that then the legaces of money be disposyd in high ways and other good dedes of charite at the discrecion of myne executors. To Thomas Bradley my best gowne and my best geldyng. To Robert Watson to hys mylne a yong geldyng of iiij yeres olde. To Robert Carnaby my furryd gowne that I were every day. To Margaret my servaunte a yonge cowe of ij yeres olde and upwarde. The resydue of all my goodes moveable and unmoveable, my dettes payd and my will fulfyllyd, I put them in the disposicion of my executors, whome I make William Quadryng of Irby gentylman, and Bryan Newcommen of Salfletby gentylman. And supervisor of thys my will I make Thomas Mayhew ; and I gyff to every one of them xls. for ther labor. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Thomas Cersy preste ; Xp'ofre Newcommen gentylman ; Robert Cony ; and Thomas Paxforde ; with other mo ; the day and yere before wryttyn.

Proved at Boston, 9 April, 1532. Administration, with the will annexed, granted to William Quadryng of Irby, gentleman, and Bryan Newcommen of Salfletby, gentleman, because the executors named in the testament refused to take upon themselves the burden of execution.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS VYN SAYNT [OF BELCHFORD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 363.]

6 February, 1531-2. I Thomas Vynsaynt off Belchforthe makes my testament and my last will. My body to be buried in the churche of the holy appostellys Peter and Paule. To the holy sacrament of the altare vjs. viijd. To by a vestimente withall iiiij marke. To the gyltyng of the tabernacle of our Lady off Piety iiij marke. To the makynge of the cawsy from the churche stole unto the oke tre vjs. viijd. To the makynge of a cawsy from the parsonne close ende unto the yate in the lane with the brokyn stone in holle becke vjs. viijd. To our Lady of Lincoln xxd. To her warkes xxd. To sir John Gray ijs. iiijd. To Margaret Forman of Tathwell vjs. viijd. To my buryall in the churche vjs. viijd. To the churche warkes ijs. To an honeste preste ij yeres xl. To Barnerd Fletcher sonne of John Fletcher xxxijs. iiijd. To John Fletcher the yonger xxxijs. iiijd. To Simon Fletcher sonne of John

Fletcher xxxijs. iiijd. To Thomas Fletcher sonne of the sayd John Fletcher xxxijs. iiijd. To the sayd iiiij chylder every of them x schepe. To my wyff the copy of the house that I do dwell in and the oxegang lande that longes to the sayd house the terme of her lyffe, and all the hole housholde stuff the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her departing I will that Agnes my daughter and her chylder have the one halff of the housholde stuff and that Robert Louthe and Henry Cheuelay my wyff chylder have the other halffe to shyft be twene them too. To Robert Louthe and hys wyff. To Henry Cheuelay. To every chylde that Robert Louthe hath. To my godsun ther. To Jenet my syster. To Agnes her daughter. To every [folio 363d.] chylde that John Barkeworthe hayth and ther mother. To Margery my servant a pare of schetes, [etc.], suche as her dame is content to delyver her. To a light afore the sacrament vjs. viijd. To a light afore the rode vjs. viijd. To Robert Brakenbery wyff. To every of my godchylder iiijd. To the iiiij orders off frerlys every place iiijd. To every churche that doyth but upon thys feldre mere viijd. To John Leche of that money that he dose awe to me vjs. viijd., and to hys wyff xijs. iiijd. To Elizabeth Dennys. To Thomas my servant. To Agnes my daughter. To John Tyndale. To Hugh Melton. To John Fletcher. To my nawnte Agnes Tayllor. I will that John Fletcher helpe my wyff home thys yere with her corne and hay. Also I will that the sayd John helpe her yerly with hys cariage of ij lode woode from any place wher soever she dose by it. To Thomas son of John Fletcher my house at Haghams with all the purtenynges thereto, to hym and to hys hayres of hys body laufully begottyn for evermore, excepte onely that the sayd Thomas and hys hayres shall gyff yerly to one obyt to be done evermore in the churche of Belcheforth for the soule of Thomas Vyncent and hys benefactors xxid. To John Fletcher son of John Fletcher my yeres of the copy callyd Holffoote thyng, excepte onely that the sayd John shall gyff yerly to the foresayd obyt xxid. duryng the yeres of the copy. To Simon Fletcher the copy off thys house that I do dwell in aftyr the decesse of Elizabeth my wyff. To Barnarde Fletcher son of John Fletcher the yerys of the oxganges lande that I have of the hall landes. To William Leche yff he be preste xs. to syng a trentall for the soulys of my father and my mother and all my good frendes soulys. To John Clerke halffe a stone woolle that he dose owe to me. To John Clerke the yonger a schepe that I dyd by of hys father. To my goddaughter at Thomas Ingolmelles halffe one stone off woolle that I bought of John Clerke the elder. To the [folio 364] baxster wyff of Horncastro. I will that therbe peny dole the day of my buryall. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John Fletcher, whome I make my executor to dispose them for the helthe of my soule and all my good benefactors. Whytnes herupon, sir John Gray; m^r William Talbot; John Haryson. I will that John Berworthe the yonger be the oversear, and he shall have for hys labor iijs. iiijd.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 3 June, 1532, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN LEEKE [OF SIBSEY].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 59d.]

xx February, 1531-2. I John Leeke off Sybsay, husbandman, makyth thys my testament and herein conclude my laste will. My body

to be buried in the church yerde of st Margaret of Sybsay. To the holly sacrament of the high altare for tithys forgottyn vjd. To the reparacion of the high altare iiijd. To the olde rod iiijd. To st Margaret iiijd. To our Lady of Pety iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln vijd. I will that Agnes Leeke my wyff have my house with thappurtenaunces in the towne and feldes of Sybsay duryng the terme of her naturall lyff, with thys condicion that she kepe reparacions withoutt impeachment or [sic] waste. And aftyr her decesse, I will that Robert Leeke my sonne have the house with thappurtenances that she dwellyth in, to hym and to the heyres of hys body; and yff it fortune Robert to dy withoutt heyres of hys body, then I will the house remayn to William Leeke my sonne and the heyres of hys body, and so every one of them to be other heyr. To William my sonne iij acres lande lying in Southfenlandes, iij rod and one di' acre lying in Northorp, and acre lying in Southwestfelde. To Agnes Leeke my wyff one cople of oxsyn, iij kye and one dun mare. To William my sonne one cople sterys, [etc.], with thys condicion that he help hys mother ther withall. To John my god sun a fleckyd qwyte. To Robert Leeke my sonne a whyte geldyng and a amblyng stag. To Alyndon my daughter. To Robert Boner a byrlyng. To Jenet my daughter a qwe calff. To William my sonne j whyte stag. I will that iij quarters barly, ij quarters ootes, and iij yong beestes be solde and the money therof cumyng I will have a trentall xxxth messes to be done for the soule off me, my father and mother, and all my benefactors. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to Agnes Leeke my wyff, whome I make my executrix that she may dispose to the high laude and prase of God and the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys. Thes beyng wytnes, sir John Copland curate and parysh preste; Henry West; Richard Bavyn; William Daynson; Robert Cooke; Thomas Bate; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 2 October, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. HAYWARD [CHANTRY PRIEST OF ALFORD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 271d.]

12 February, 1532.¹ I sir Thomas Heywarde, chauntry preste, of Alford makes thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryd within the church yerde of st Wylfryde of Alforde. To the high altare in the same churche iiijd. To kyng Henry light in the same churche iiijd. To All Soule light in the same churche iiijd. To the churche warke of Alforde xijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln ijs. I will that m^r Thomas Sotheby shall bye one sufficient chalys to the altare of st Laurence in the parysh churche of Alforde with the money which he owyth to me by the oversyght of the preste that shall cum next aftyr me in the sayd chauntry, or ellys yff he will not bye suche a chalys as is aforesayd, I will that all the sayd money that be owyth me go to the warke of our Lady of Lincoln. To every preste dwellyng in the parysh of Alforde at the day of my buryeng vjd., and the vicare viijd. And I desyre them to say placebo and dirige. I will that my seventh day and my thyrty day be kepte in lyke maner. The resydue of my goodes I will that sir William Steper of Alford preste dispose them as he thynkes

¹ The date should probably be 1531-2.

best for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys, whome I make my executor, and William Lamme of Alford to be supervisor, and to the sayd William Lamme for hys labor xijd. Thes wytnesses, sir John Dauye of Alford prest; John Keall and John Mason of the same.

Proved before P., at Alford, 16 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT ROISHE [OF ALGARKIRK].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 64.]

13 February, 1531-2. I Robert Roisse of Algarkyrke, husbandman, doo make my testamente w^t my last wyll. My body to be buryed in the churche garthe of the holy appostyles Peter and Paule of Algar-churche, and for my mortuary accordyng to the acte of parlyment of ower souerene lord kyng Henry the viii. To the blesynd sacrament for my forgotten tythes iiijd., and to euerly lyzhte comctabull in the sayd churche ijd. To Wylliam Roische my son. To Roische my son [sic]. To Thomas Roische my son. To Anne my dozhter. To Annes Roische my dozhter my eldyste fen cowe fleckyd of coler. The resedewe of my goodes I gyffe to Margarett my wyffe, the wheche I have made onely my executrix, and she shall cause my body onestely to be buryed, payng my dettes, and soo to despouse for 3e helthe of my sawle as shall seme beste to plese God, and to be good mother and frynd bothe to hyr chylde and myne lyke as I have ordende hyr so to be. Thes beyng wyttenes, Robert Clerke; John Swan; Jamys Dugdale pryst; with other at neyd.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 October, 1532.

TESTAMENT OF JOHN WYETSON [OF CROFT].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 18.]

15 February, 1531-2. I John Wyattson the elder in Croft makes my testament. My body to be buryed within the chyrche yard off Alhalowys in Croft. To our Lady off Lincoln xijd. To hyer warke vjd. To the hy auter off Croft chyrche for tythes forgottun xijd. To the belles viijd. To the reparacyons off the same chyrche viijd. To Symond my sone on standyng bard in the halle, [etc.]. To Agnes my dawghter vjl. xijs. iiijd. in money and an harness gyrdill with on pare off bedes off hambre after the decesse off Jenyt my wyffe. Yff so be that other off my ij chyldryn depart this world within laufull age that on to be the ayre off the other, and yf ytt so be that thei bothe depart this world within laufull age, then I wyll that the on part theroff to be dysposyd in fyndyng on prest for my sowle and all crystyn sowles and the other part to Jenyt my wyff. To Elsabeht my dowghter xls. and on quey. To Symond my sone my wayn my plow with all the tyrtementes. To on honest prest xs. for on trentalle synging. The resedew of all my guddes I gyve them vnto Jenet my wyffe, whome I make my executor and she to dyspose them for the helthe off my sowle and all crystyn sowlles. To Wylliam Stevynson the elder iijs. iiijd. to be supervisor. Theys wyttnes, sir Thomas Rysyll my curayt; Wyll'm Stevynson; Robert Alan; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 2 October, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF HENRY BOLAN [OF GRIMOLDBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 275d.]

18 February, 1531-2. I Henry Bolan off Grymolby makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Edithe in Grymolby. To the high altare in Grymolby kyrke viijd. To Grymolby kyrke iijs. iiijd. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To our Lady frerys of Lincoln xijd. To the frerys at the Gresse fote xijd. To the Augustyn frerys off Grymesby xijd. To the Gray frerys of Grymesby xijd. To Manby kyrke viijd., Stuton kyrke vjd., Kyrnyngton kyrke vjd., Hougham kyrke xijd., Belcheforth kyrke xijd. To Alane, Roger, and Robert my sonnes. To my doughter Agnes. To my doughter Alyson Frauncys and to her ij doughters. To my [folio 276] doughter Beatrix. To my doughter Jenet and to her iiij chylder. To William Frauncys and Marion Bolande other of them vjs. viijd. at ther way gate. The resydue of my goodes not wyt I gyff and wyt to Agnes my wyff whom I make my executrix that she may dispose them for the wele of my soule that it may the better spede in the presence of Almyghty God. Thes wytnes, sir Richard Makefelde; William Smyth; and Robert Wylarton; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Louthe, 17 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF SIMON BOLTON [OF SPALDING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 337.]

19 February, 1531-2. I Simon Bolton of Spaldyng makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the parysch churche yerde of our Lady and st Nicholes in Spaldyng. To the high altare of Spaldyng for tithys forgottyn xvjd. To the churche warke of Lincoln iiijd. To the church warke of Spaldyng iijs. iiijd. To the devocion of the Holy Goste iiijd. To the church warke of Cowbyt xxd. To the church warke of Weston xijd. To Richerd Austyn of Multon and to hys wyff. To Nicholes Elsone. To Robert Bolton a gret panne, [etc.], and Richerd Bolton to have the kepyng of it withoutt weryng to he be at lawfull age. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Richerd my sonne, whome I orden my executor, and Thomas Bolton to be supervisor, and he to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Wytnes herof sir Robert Gee; Walter Rysdale; William Kyttoun; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 10 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. THORNELEY [OF HOUGH ON THE HILL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 371.]

19 February, 1531-2. I William Thorneley of the parysh of Hough make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche of st Rumolde before the ymage of our Lady of Piety. To the highe altare in the churche aforesayd xijd. I bequeth xl. to a preste to syng for me and my father and mother a yere. To the Observantes in Newarke xxs. To our Lady warke in Lincoln xijd. To the frerys in Grantham a bushyll malte. To the chapell of st Rumolde xijs. iiijd. To the churches of Cathorpe, Normanton, Hougham, and Carleton xijd. apiece. To the abbay of Monte Grace xls. To Johan Hough my goddoughter. To the resydue of my godchylder iche of them a schepe. To iiij chylder of

Richerd Richerdson iche of them a schepe. To ij chylder of John Manysford ether of them a schepe. To too chylder of Thomas Burdheyddes. To Parnell Walkewood. To William Walkewood. To John Manysforde. To iche of my servantes. To the mendyng of the high way betwyxt thys towne and Clapole xijd. To John Browne iiijd. To George Thomson. To sir Henry Trafford vicar of Hough, to pray for me, vs. To mr Augustyn Porter xxs. desyryng hym to be good and foverable to my wyff in the way of right, and to gyff her hys best councell. I gyff the resydue of my goodes unto Margaret my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose my goodes to the welthe of my soule and off my father and mother and all crystyn soulys as my most speciall trust is in her and as she shall thynke most necessary. Wytnes herof, m^r Augustyn Porter; sir Henry Trafford; Margaret Thornelay; sir Richard Reddemale prest.

Proved before P., at Ancastre, 29 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF MARGARET TOFTE [OF SOUTH FERRIBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 277d.]

20 February, 1531-2. I Margaret Tofte of Southferyby makes my testament. My body to be buryed within the churche of st Nicholes of Southferyby. To the parsons fee of Southferyby for all tithys forgottyn xijd. To the prior fee lykewyse iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xxid. To our lady of Lincoln in offeryng xxd. To the churche warke of Southferyby halff a quarter of barly. To the brygge warke of the sayd towne halff a quarter of barly. To Northferyby abbay halff a quarter of barly. I will that William Tofte my sonne shall gyff unto sir Roger Crosse xxs. for to syng for the soulys of William Tofte and Margret hys wyff and all crysten soulys. I will that the sayd William Tofte shall fynde a lampe lyghtyd before the roode in Southferyby churche at all diuine seruys duryng the lyff of the sayd William. To Vrsulay Grymlysby my daughter. To William Tofte son of Richerd Tofte. To John Tofte my best syluer spone, and a prynce of sylver. Vnto Edward, Roger, and Thomas Tofte, the sonnys of Thomas Tofte. To Margaret Tofte, Agnes Tofte, Alyson Tofte, daughters of the sayd Thomas Tofte. To Robert Grymesby, William Grymesby and John Grymesby sonnys off William Grymesby. To Agnes Grymesby hys daughter. To Thomas Gawdbe my servant. To Robert Coke my servant. The resydue of my goodes not wyt I gyff vnto William Tofte my sonne, whome I make my executores [sic]. Thes men beryng wytnes, sir Roger Crosse my curate; Robert Sutton and John Gawdbe; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Castre, 19 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN PYNSON [OF FULLETBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 372.]

23 February, 1531-2. I John Pynson of Fulletby husbandman makes thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churcheerde of st Androy in Fulletby, and my mortuary aftyr the custome of the lawe will inquere. To the high altare of Fulletby for begottyn tithys xijd. To the church body of the same towne viijd. To the high altare of Lincoln viijd. To the church body of Salmonby viijd. To Elizabeth

my wyff all my coppys which is one callyd Genyll lande, one toftested, arabyll lande, and medoy longyng unto the sayd toftested, and one callyd Jollyff toftested with all the lande and medoy longyng unto the sayd parcellys duryng my yeris, payng the lordes rent. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth to Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executrix and she to dispose them as she thynkes best for my soule and all crysten soulys. Wytnes herof, sir William Kytchyn preste; William Smyth; Robert Lowthe; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 13 May, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD HEBERSTOU [OF GAYTON LE WOLD].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 273d.]

26 February, 1532.¹ I Richard Heberstou of Gatton, husbandman, maykes and ordans this my last wille and testament. To be berred in the churche yarde of sant Peter in Gatton, with that thyng that the lawe requires to the parson. I wytt unto vur moder churche of Lincoln to the hethe alter vjd., and to ver Lady worke of the same vjd. To the iiiij orderes off freres in the cade cety iiijd. To Gaton churche xxjd. To Calystrophe churche xld. To the hethe alter of Gaton churche iiijd. Item v youe schepe to the sepulcor of Gaton chyrche to fynde one lyghtt before the sade sepulcur frome the begynnyng unto the resurrexcion be doyn, and the resydu [to] the leyght to be brent before the Sacrament in tymes conuenyente to yt be spent, the wyche I leue in the hondes of the churche wardyns; Hewe Heberstowe my broder to have the sade ȝowys and fynde the lyght as long as he wyll fynd sufficient surtes to the forsade churcewardens, or ony of the name of the forsayd Heberstowys beyng there a bowytt that wyll have yt by that maner; and yf ther be noyne of the name of Heberstoys lyuyng ther abutt that may and wyll have yt that thane bothe the stoke and lyght to be att request of the forsade churcewardens for evermore. I wyll that ther be one trentall off messyses celebrate for my sole helthe. I wytt unto Robert Buttrys one fylly. I wyll that my [goods] be partyd in [iiij] partes, one to my selfe, anoder to my wyfe, and the therde to my chelder and to be ordared att the request of Ellezebz my wyffe, John my sone, and Robertt my sone, whome I make executures to dyspose as tha thynke the best for the helthe of my sowle. I wyll that John Talbott and Hewe Heberstowe be supervysurs, and to have for ther labur one quarter of barly. Wytnesses, sir Robert Benson, parson of Gayton; John Talbott of the same; Robert There of the same; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Louthe, 17 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF T. CHENY [OF QUADRING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 338d.]

6 March, 1531-2. I Thomas Cheny off Quadryng makyth my last testament. My body to be buryed in Quadryng churche before st Michel. To the high altare xijd. To the reparacion of the sayd altare vjd. To our Lady altare viijd. To st John altare viijd. For my buryall within the churche vjs. viijd. To the reparacions of the church ijs. iiijd. To st Margaret light ijd. To st Catheryne light ijd. To st Michell light ijd.

¹ The date should probably be 1531-2.

To st John light ijd. To the Plough light ijd. To the rode light iiijd. To our Lady light iiijd. To our Lady light of Piety ijd. To st Erasme light ijd. To William Chenay. To Richerd Cheney. To Jenet Adam. To Margaret Gonthorpe. To Ame [sic] my wyff. To Edward Cheney. To John Adam. To Richerd Cooke. All the resydue of my goodes I gyff to Anne my wyff, and aftyr [folio 339] her dethe they shall remayn to Edward Cheney. To John Bollys aftyr the dethe of hys mother di' an acre of lande that was Reedes. To Anne my wyff all my landes fre and bonde duryng her lyff, and aftyr her lyff they shall remayn to Edward Cheney my sonne. And yff he dy withoutt issue of hys body, then I will the lande shall go to the towne off Quadryng and so the sayd land to be orderyd be the feoffys and township of Quadryng to fynde a prest to pray for my soule and all my benefactors soulys and all crysten soulys the space of iiiij skore yeres and xix or so long as the kynges lawys will suffer. And at the yeres ende it to be renewyd againe, and so to continew. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Anne my wyff, who I make my executrix. I make m^r Thomas Tempest supervisor. Wytnes, John Bolles; Robert Londe vicar off Qwadryng; John Domyseny; William Chell; William Browne; John Warde the yonger; and John Etgose the yonger.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 10 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN BRON [OF BURGH IN THE MARSH].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 58.]

8 March, 1531-2. I John Bron of Burgh in the Marche make my will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of st Peter in Burgh. To the high altare for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the churche warke xijd. To our Lady gylde iiijd. To the Trinite gylde iiijd. To Robert Brown my sonne vjs. viijd. To Thomas Browne my sonne my shop and all that longys to it. To Xp'ofe Horsby my godsun iiijd., [etc.]. To William Horsby. To every one of my godchylde iiijd. To Marion Bring. To every one of her chylde. To Elizabeth my wyff all my houshalde stuff, excepte that Thomas my sonne have a bed lyke as Robert hys brother had. To my wyff her harber in the house that I wonne in for the terme of her lyff, and aftyr her dethe I gyff the sayd house to Thomas my sonne; and yff he sell it, then I will that he gyff to Robert my sone xxs., and Agnes my daughter xxs., and a trentall to be donne in the church of st Peter in Burgh off the sayd money. I will that halffe a trentall be done for my soule shortlye aftyr my dethe. To Agnes my daughter. I make Robert Browne and Thomas Browne my sonnys my executors, and Thomas Horsby to be supervisor. Wytnes, sir John Pechell; Robert Rotter; with other mo. Yff my wyff fortune to mary or to go to eny other off her frendes, then I will that Thomas my sonne gyff to her yerly iijs. iiijd.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 2 October, 1532.

[THE TESTAMENT OF EDMUND BURTE OF BOSTON].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 242d.]

8 March, 1531-2. I Edmundre Burte of Boston, seke in body, makes thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryed at the Whyte

frerys in Boston within the chapell of our Lady. To the high altare in the parysh church of Boston xijd. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the orphans of st Catheryns without the barres of Lincoln xijd. To the gylde of the viij Martyrs within the church of Boston iiijd. To Helene my wyff my house that I dwell in the terme of her lyff naturall, and aftyr her decease I will it remayn to Edwardre my sonne duryng hys lyff, and aftyr hys [folio 243] decease it shall be solde and the money therof receyvyd I will it be disposyd in dedes of charite for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys. To my sayd wyff in Glassyng lane [sic] for terme of her lyff, and aftyr her decease I will it remayn to Edward my sonne for terme of hys lyff, and aftyr hys decease I will it remayn to the prior and convent of the whyte frerys aforesayd yff the law will suffer it, and the shall kepe yerly on obbyt by note for my soule, my wyffes soule, and all crysten soulys. And yff the law will not suffer them to have it, then I will it be solde, and the sayd prior and convent to receyve the money commyng of the same and they shall pray and do as is aforesayd. I will therebe a trentall songe for my soule my good frendes soulys and all crysten soulys. To the sayd Wyte frerys to the reparacion of ther church vjs. viijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to Helene my wyff and Edward my sonne, whome I make my executors. And the goodes for to be in the custody of my sayd wyff dewryng her lyff, and she to bryng up Edwardre my sone. And yff it fortune the sayd Helene to mary, then I will the sayd goodes be equally devydyd betwyxt my wyff and my sonne before she marry. I will that William Pynchbek be supervisor, and he shall have for hys laber a dooblet of souten and vjs. viijd. of money. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Otuell Cowper; Richerd Geffray; and Richerd Tonnerde; with other mo. The day and yere afore wryttyn.

Proved before P., at Boston, 24 May, 1531, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. GAUNCE [OF THEDDLETHORPE ST HELEN].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 272.]

12 March, 1531-2. I William Gaunce of Thedilthorp makyth this my last will and testament. My body to be beryed within the churche of st Helene of Thedylthorp in the southe ile as nere to the dore of our Lady qwere as my grave may be mayd, and in the name off my mortuary to be siche as the lawe requiryth in that behalff. And I will that the churche masters have to the churche use vjs. viijd. for my buryall in the churche. To our Lady warke of our mother churche of Lincoln xxid. To the high altare in my parysh churche xijd. To All Halloy churche in the same towne xld. To st Jamys churche at Louthe xijd., and to st John chapell in the market place vjd. To Claxby churche next Normanby xijd. To st Thomas of Canturbery iiijd. To the makynge of the stepill of my parysh churche xls. To John Gaunce my sonne a sylver pece and a sylver goblet, xij sylver sponys and a lyttyll harness gyrdyll, a cawdryn that was hys mothers, [etc.]. To the same John certen inglesh bokes as *Legenda Aurea*, *Crownacles*, *Canturbery Talys*, and *Lyttylton Teners*. To the same John a chyst of waynscotte that standyth in the high parler, a bed with all the apparill that longith to hit, [etc.], also xl. to be payd be the handes of my executors. I will

that all parcellys foloyng do remayn styl to Barnerde my sonne in my house as harelomys as long as they will indure, that is to say, the cownter in the hall, the high lofte bed in the parler, and the whele bed with owt any apparell of clothys, and the spere in the hall, and the lauer with the lauer stone in the hall, and a gret stone morter, a pare of malte qwernys in the kytchyn, and the gret led in the brew house, st John hed of alabaster, a grette brasse potte, and a mazer that was my fathers. To the same Barnerd all suche tymber as lyith in my dykes, and as for all my bordes that ar sawne and lyith in the new house my wyff shall have the one halff and Barnarde Gaunce the other halff. I will that my executors hyer a preste immediatly aftyr my decesse to syng for my soule and all cristen soulys by the space of halff a yere. To Barnerd my sonne to hym and hys heyres for ever more v stonge lande which that I bought of sir Richerde Sampson in Norcostes [sic] prist, and iiiij acre lande in Bekke garthes which I bought of John Rvddyll, for the which I will and charge hym one my blyssyng that he and hys heyres for [folio 272d.] evermore cause the curet of st Helene churche for tyme beyng or ellys sum other habyll preste for to say messe of requiem placebo and dirige evermore yerly of st Frauncys day, or ellys on the morne aftyr, in my parysh churche for all cristen soulys, and he for to gyff yerly at the same tyme xijd. to xijj pore men in almes, and it shall be done as prively as it can without any ryngyng of bellys or oder solemnité. And I will that the preste that dothe the messe and dirige shall have for his labor yerely vjd. I will that the sayd Barnerde and hys heyres yerly fynde a candyll to burn afore st Anne in the churche of st Helene on holydays for the forsayd lande for evermore to indure. To Barnerd my sonne a lyttyll cownter in the high parler, for ther is all hys evydence. To John my sonne all suche landes lying in Thedylthorp as I have takyn off William Baldryke by indenture, to have and to holde to him and hys assyngnes duryng all suche yeres as apperyth in the same indenturs. I will that Elizabeth my wyff have and peassably inioye all her feoffementes duryng her naturall lyff, and aftyr her deceasse then I will that it remayn holy to John Gaunce my sonne, to have and to holde to hym hys heyres and hys assyngnes for evermore. I will that my feoffers which ar infeoffyd in all my landes and tenementes in Thedylthorpe that they suffer my executors to receyve all the rentes of all the sayd landes and tenementes from the day of my dethe unto the feste of st Michel the Archaungell next foloyng, and from thens forwarde for the space of one hole yere, for the trew performaunce of thys my last will. I will that my wyff and Barnerd Gaunce have all my copyholde of my lady Willughby grounde duryng all the yeres as apperyth in my copy. I will that Barnerd Gaunce and John Gaunce have all my harneys, bowys, and arroys. To Elizabeth my daughter vj sylver sponys and a sylver salte. To every one of my god chylder unmaryed. The resydew of all my goodes I gyff them to Elizabeth my wyff, whome I make my executrix, and John Gaunce the oder executor to se thys my last will trewly executyd for the well of my soule, and over thys I make m^r John Awngewyne esquier supervisor, and he to have for hys labor vjs. viijd. Hiiis testibus, sir Edmund Weste curate; sir William Whyte chapland; Thomas Kyrkman preste at Mabilthorp; Robert Sche^wode; Robert Skeytyll.

Proved before P., at Alford, 16 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JENYT WRYGHT [OF NORTON DISNEY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 376.]

14 March, 1531-2. I Jenet Wryght of Norton make thys my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of s^t Peter in Norton. To the high altare in the sayd churche viijd. To the warke of our mother churche of Lincoln iiijd. To the churche of Norton to by a albe vs. To the Trinite gylde in the sayd churche xijd. To the churche warke of Northe Chyllngham vs. To the church warke of Stoke vs. To William my sonne. To Catheryne Coke. To the wyffe of John my sonne. To the wyff off Thomas my sonne. To Margaret Coke. To my godoughter at Colyngham. To the vicare of the sayd Collyngham viijd. To Johanne my daughter. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to John my sone and Edwarde Coke, whome I make my executors to dispose for my soule and all crysten soulys. Thes beyng whytnesses, sir Edward Tomlynson; Richard Coke; Robert Ruston; with other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 10 May, 1532. Administration granted to Edward Coke, power being reserved to grant to John the son.

THE TESTAMENT OF ALAN WAYSE [OF SUTTERTON].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 51d.]

15 March, 1531-2. I Alan Wayse of Sutterton makyth my testament concludyng therin my last will. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of our Lady of Sutterton. I bequeth for my mortuary that the lawe requiryth. To our mother church of Lincoln vjd. To the orphanys of saynt Catheryns iiijd. To the high altare of Sutterton for tithys forgottyn vjd. To every altare in the forsayd churche ijd. To the church warke of Sutterton ijs. To John Snell. To Robert Carover. To Richerde Wolmere gentylman one gray balde amblyng mare, [etc.]. To Margaret my daughter. To Johanne my wyff my hed messe that I dwell in with viij acres of lande lying under it be it more or lesse with thappurtenances to gyff and sell under that condicion that she performe all suche covenantes and dewtys as ar betwene me the forsayd Alan Wase and Richerd Wolmer gentilman. To Elizabeth, Margaret, and Agnes my thre doughtters x acres lande lying in the Northfelde of Wygtofte equally to be devydyd emonges them by the oversyght of Richerde Wolmare gentylman, and they to be content every one of them with ther partes at the syght of the forsayd Richerd Wolmare gentylman, or ellys yff they or eny of them will not be content then hyr parte of the forsayd x acres lande to remayn to Johanne my wyff. To Robert Wase my brother di. acre lande lying in Collande felde, under thys condicion that he gyff the paryshners of Sutterton drynke yerly in the Crosse weke at Fyshmeer crosse. To Elizabeth Lussely my goddoughter. To Alen Tonnerde. The resydue of my goodes I gyff them to Johanne my wyff, whome I make my executrix, and Richerd Wolmare gentylman to be supervisor. Thes beyng wytnes, Roger Maye; Robert Wayse; Edmund Howson; John Sheperde; John Walgate; and John Nevell.

[No probate act.]

TESTAMENT OF RICHARD [*sic*] ARCHER [OF COCKERINGTON ST LEONARD].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 277.]

16 March, 1531-2. I William [*sic*] Archer of Cokryngton Leonerd, husbandman, ordens and makes thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryed w^t in the holy moldes in the churche yarde of Cokryngton Leonarde. To the high altare of the same churche for tithys and tentes forgottyn xijd., and to the reparacion of our mother churche of Lincoln viijd. To the reparacion off Grymolby churche xijd. and to the reparacions of the churche of Southsomercotes viijd. To William Archer my sone one wayn and a plough, [etc.], and xls. in money. To iche one of my other chylde xls. in money, and to John Tuley xxvj. viijd. To ich one of my doughters fyve sheder lammys, and to John my sone v lammys. To euery chylde of John Archer my brother one lamme, and to euery one off my godchylldren iiijd. To William my sone aboue hys bequest aforenamyd ij sterys. The resydue of all my goodes not gyffyn I gyff to Margaret my wyff, John Archer my brother, and Richard Garner, whome I constitute my executors to pay my dettes, performe thys my last will, and ferther to dispose for the helthe of my soule as they shall thynke most expedient. And I will that the sayd John Archer and Richard Garner haue for ther labors ether of theym xijs. iiijd. Wytnes herof, sir William Howton vicar off Cokryngton aforesayd; Roger Howton; John Howton; and John Gateside; of the same w^t other moy.

Proved before P., at Louthe, 17 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT NOCTON [OF KIRKBY ON BAIN].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 300.]

19 March, 1531-2. I Robert Nocton of Kyrkby Bayn ordens and makes thys my testament and last will. My body to be buryd in the churche yerde of Kyrkby. To the high alter ther for tithys forgottyn vjd., and to the kyrke warke of the same vjs. To our Lady warke of Lincoln vjd. I will that v messys be sayd at *Scala celi* at Boston for my soule. To John my sonne my shop as it standes. To Agnes my daughter. To Johanne my daughter. Yff John decease or he cum to lawfull age of xx^{ty} yeres, then I will hys parte remayn holy to Robert my yongest sonne; and yff Robert or ether of my doughters decease within the sayd age of xx^{ty} yeres or the day of ther mariage, I will ther parte or partes remayn to hym or them that longest lyffys. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Beatrix my wyff, whome I make my executrix to dispose for the helthe of my soule, [etc.], with the councell of Richerde Sawer, whome I make supervisour. Thes beyng wytnes, sir William Lancastre parysh prest; Jhon Brugh; Richerde Williamson; Xp'ofer Thomlynson; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 8 May, 1531, by the executrix.

TESTAMENT OF JOHN ATWYK [OF HORBLING].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 367d.]

20 March, 1531-2. I John Atwyk of Horblyng makyth my last will and testament. My body to be buryd in the churchyerde of s^t Androy

in Horblyng. I gyff to my mortuary as the custome that now is doth require. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln iiijd. To the fatherlesse chylder of st Catheryns ijd. To the high altare of st Androy within Horblyng church for tithys forgottyn vijd. To Alice my daughter and to Isabell my daughter iiijl. vjs. vijd. to be devydyd eqwally betwyxt them besyde ther partes. To Robert my sone xls. besyde hys parte. To Alice my wyff all my goodes within the house and the parler besyde her parte. Also all my moveables and corne and malte, neyt horsse and schepe, with all the resydew of my goodes not bequethyd, I gyff the one halff to my fyve chylder to be devydyd equally emong them, and I gyff the other halff to Alice my wyff, whome I do make my trusty executrix for to be good to my chylder and for to dispose parte for my soule and all crysten [folio 368] soulys as she thynkes best. Also I will that Henry Atwyk my father be the supervisor of thys my last will and to se it performyd as my trust is in hym, and he to be good to my wyff and my chylder. In wytnes heroff, sir Richerde Baynton; William Somerby; Robert Sygrave; Robert Palmer; with moy.

Proved at Sempyngham, 22 October, 1531, by the executrix.

ROBERT ERRAT [OF LAUGHTON NEAR GAINSBOROUGH].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 337.]

1531. I Roberte Erratt, seeke in bodye and hole in mynd, makes my will. My bodye to be buried in the church yeard of All Sayntes in Laughton. To the hye alter of Laughton vjd. To our Ladye of Lincoln vjd. I will that Alison my wyfe haue the third parte of my goodes. To Annas and Alyse my daughters [each] a fillye. To Thomas Tawell daughter a yowe and a lambe. The residewe of my goodes I geue to Thomas and Roberte my sonnes, and I make them executors to dispose for the health of my sowle. Thes men beinge wittnes, sir Roberte Tayller curate; Thomas Wells; etc.

Proved at Gaynsbrowgh, 20 March, 1531-2.

THE TESTAMENT OF LEONARD FAWKENER [OF CONINGSBY].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 55d.]

22 March, 1531-2. I Leonerd Fawkner makyth my will. My body to be buried within the church yerde of st Michell tharchangell of Conesby. To the high altare of the same Conesby viijd., and to the lighttes and bellys of the same xijd. To John Fawkner my sonne iij stonges of medoy, and to Leonerd Fawkner my son iij stonges of medoy. I will yff the sayd John Fawkner or Leonerd Fawkner dy withoutt issue that the sayd vj stonges of medo to remayn to the nexte of my chyldren, and so for defawte of heyres of one the sayd vj stonges to remayn to a nother nexte unto hym. To Thomas Fawkner, John, Leonerd, Richerd, and Agnes Fawkner my chyldren. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Agnes Fawkner my wyff, which I make my executrix. I have desyryd to testify thys my will, Richerd Henryson; William Frankysh; and Edward Borton.

Proved before P., at Horncastle, 1 October, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF THOMAS BROWNE [OF BICKER].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 337d.]

1531. I Thomas Browne of Byker orden and make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churchyerde of st^t Swythine in Byker. To my mortuary as the statute doth admit. To the high altare ther for tithys forgottyn iiijd. To our Lady altare ther iiijd. To the church warke ther and the bellys. To the reparacion of our mother churche of Lincoln iiijd. To the faderles chyldren at st^t Catheryns without Lincoln gates ijd.

Thys is my last will the day and yere aforesayd. To Maryon my wyff all my landes pasturys, [etc.], in the towne and feldes of Donynton unto my doughter cum to the age of xx^{ty} yeres. Provydyd that yff my sayd wyff be with a sonne I will he have the sayd landes, [etc.], at the full age of xxj^{ty} yeres, and yff my wyff benot with a sonne I will they remayn to my doughter[s] in shyfte, and every one of them when she cumyth to the age of xx^{ty} yeres to enter to her parte to have and holde to her her heyres and assygnes. To every one of my doughters ij bellyd candylstykes, [etc.], also ij kye to be delyveryd to them at the day of ther mariage in full and for contentacion and dischargeyng thys my last will and the last will of John Garard my father in lawe. I will and charge my sayd wyff to pay or cause to be payd iij Good Frydays next foloyng emong pore people every Good Fryday iijs. iiijd. in fulfyllyng my payment for Beman house which I gyff to the sayd Marion my wyff the terme of her lyffe naturall, and aftyr to remayn to my chyldren in forme aforesayd as to my nexte heyre. Provydyd that yff any of my doughters dy under the age of xx yeres and not maryed I will they be honestly brought forthe of ther owne goodes and the remaner over to be devydyd emong them that lyff. I make Marion my wyff sole executrix, to whome I gyff all my other goodes to pay my dettes performe thys my last will and dispose for my soule and all crysten [folio 338] soulys as she thynkes best and pleasyng to God, [etc.], and make m^r John Littylbery of Hagworthyngham supervisor, to whome I gyff xx^d. Thes wytnesses, sir Robert Johnson ; sir William Walker ; Thomas Rodwyk ; with other.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 10 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. KEMPE [OF WAINFLEET ALL SAINTS].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 268d.]

1531. I William Kympe makes my testament. My body to be buried in the church yerde of All Halloys in Waynflet. To the sacrament [folio 269] in the churche of All Halloys for tithys forgottyn xijd. To the anornyng of the high altare viijd. To the ij law altares ich of them iiijd. To the bellys xx^d. To our Lady of Lincoln viijd. I will ther be gyffyn for me at the day of my buryall in money xijs. iiijd. besydes met and drynke. To Sybell Westerdall. The resydue of my goodes I gyff unto George my sone at the day off buryall and my dettes discharygd. And yff it fortune that the forsayd George dye within the yeres of discrestion, then I will that the goodes that remayn for to be disposyd for the well of my soule at the disposicion of my brother John Kympe and Thomas Kygges, whome I make my executors, and the forsayd John and Thomas to have for ther labor xx^d. each. Wytnes, sir Edward

Larke ; Thomas Kygges ; Robert Pynder ; John Kympe ; with certen other.

Proved before P., at Parteney, 15 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD NORMAN [OF NORTH RAUCEBY].
[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 74.]

1531. I Richerd Norman of the towne of Northrawceby, seke in body, make my testament. I bequeth my soule to God Almyghty and to our Lady st Mary and to all the fare felloschyp in heven, and my body to be buryed in the churche of st Peter in Northrawceby. To the high altare for forgottyn tithys xijd. To my curat xs. to pray for my soule. To the mother church of Lincoln xijd. To the v order of frerys in Lincoln and Grantham to every order ijs. to syng a trentall for me. To Timberland church xxid. To Martyn chapell xxid. To Kyrkby Grene churche xxid. To Scawby churche xijd. To my mother a qwe with calffe and a yow and a lambe. To Alice Norman a yow and a lambe. To Richerd Norman a you and a lambe. To Agnes Norman a you and a lambe. To other of my brether a wayn and to ether of them a plugh. To John Norman a yow and a lambe. To every house in thys paryshe that hathe no plough iiijd. I will that my wyff have my take of my ferme yff she delyver a deed of feoffement to Thomas Norman within a yer aftyr my decesse, or ellys Thomas Norman to enter to my ferme. To Richerd Huc. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Margaret my wyff and William my brother, who I make my executors that they may dispose for the helthe of my soule that God better may be pleassyd, with Simon Cooke to be supervisor, and he to have ijs. iiijd. for hys labor. Thes wytnes, sir William Styrlay vicar ; Simon Cooke ; Thomas Palfreman ; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Bloxham, 11 October, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN RABDYK [OF FISHTOFT].
[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 247.]

1531. I John Rabdyke of Tofte do make my testament and last wyll. My body to be buryed in the chyrche yarde of saynt Gutlake in Tofte. To the holy sacrament xijd. To ower Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To Margarett my wyffe my howse that I dwelle in with ij acres pasture grownde with appurtynances there to belongyng for the terme of hyr lyffe, and after hur decesse I wyll hytt remayne to Geffrey my son and harry [sic] of my body ; and yff hyt fortune the sayd Geffrey my son to decesse or he cum to lawfull age, then I wyll they remayne to Margere and Dorethe Rabdyke my ij dozters to them and there assyngnes for evermore. The resedew of my goodes I gyffe them to Margery and Dorethe my ij dozters whome I make my executryx [sic]. Theys beyng wyttenys, Robert Wyffen ; William Dawson ; sir John Danyell curatt of the churche of saynt Guthlake of Tofte aforesayd.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

TESTAMENT OF JOHN RAYNS [OF DONINGTON ON BAIN].
[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 13d.]

1531. I John Rayns of Donyngton super Bayn makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche of

s^t Andrewe of Donyngton with my mortuary aftyr the forme of law. To the alter for forgottyn tithys xx*d.* To sir William Smyth my curate to pray for my soule and all my good frendes soulys vs. To the church of Donyngton vjs. viij*d.* To s^t Andro iijs. iiijd. To our mother churche of Lincoln xijd. To our Lady warke xijd. To the iiiij orders of frerys every order xijd. To s^t Julyan churche off Benyngworthe iijs. iiijd. To the altare xiiij*d.* To All Hallo churche xx*d.* To Sowthe Wyllyngham churche vjs. viij*d.* To Panton churche iiijd. To Estbarkeworthe churche iiijd. To Sotbe churche xx*d.* To Ranby churche xijd. To Styrton, Staynton, Golceby, Stanygot, Wythcall, Gaton, and Byscothorp churches iiijd. apiece. To Agnes Wynter my doughter iiijl., and to syx of her chyldren every one of them xxs. And yff any of them dy before the age of maryage it shall remayn to the other of them survyvyng. To Thomas Hello and Mary my doughter. To Emote my doughter and ij of her chyldren. To Emote Mumby my cosyn and iiij of her chyldren. To Alexander Michylson my cosyn and Jenet hys wyff and ij of hys chyldren. To Jenet Wysto. To Margarete Page and iiij of her chyldren. To John Marshe. To Margaret [folio 14] Vere. I will that all my housholde stuff shall be devydyd etwyxte my iij doughters. I bequeathe halffe a yere servys to a honest preste to syng for my soule and all my good frendes soulys. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Alexander Michelson and Robert Mumby, whome I make my executors to dispose for the helthe of my soule and all crysten soulys. In wytnes heroff, sir William Smythe; sir Thomas Habar; Thomas Dawlyng; John Warde; Richerde Yarbur; John Marshe; Thomas Nobyll; with many other mo.

Proved before P., at Louthe, 17 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN WARDE [OF TATTERSHALL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 375.]

25 March, 1532. I John Warde, lovyd be God, seke in body, makes thys my last will aswell of my landes as off my goodes. My body to be buryed in the churche of Tateshale. I will that my feoffes that now stande and be seasyd of my landes and tenementes in Thorpe in the parysh of Tateshale to thuse of me the sayd John Warde to the performance of my last will, shall immediatly aftyr my deceasse stande and be seassyd of and in the premisses to thuse of Thomas Sele and hys heyres and assynges for ever, uppon condicion that the sayd Thomas Sele pay unto m^r George Fytzwilliam esquier *vl.* that he may dispose the same in fyndyng one preste to syng for my soule my frendes soulys and all crysten soulys at Thorpe. To Thomas Clare of Kyme that maryed my kynswoman my furryd gowne, my tawny jaket, my ledder dooblet, a buff ledder jerkyn, [etc.]. To my cosyn hys wyff iiiij angell^z of golde. To William Warde one of the beste of my vj beastes whyche be in the kepyng of Thomas Atkynson and William Warde the yonger. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to the sayd Thomas Sele, whome I make my executor to dispose my goodes in dedes of almys and charyte as lykyth him best, [etc.]. Thes beyng wytnes, Thomas Bolandes; William Erle; Laurence Grysby; many other mo.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 5 June, 1532, by the executor.

THE TESTAMENT OF RICHARD CHELE [OF QUADRING].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 337.]

28 March, 1532. I Richerd Chele makes my last testament. To be buryed in the churchyeerde of st Margaret virgyn and martir of Quadryng. To the high altare iiijd. To our Lady light ijd. To st John gylde ijd. To our Lady warkes of Lincoln ijd. To Agnes my wyff. To my sonne William Chele. To Agnes my daughter. All the resydue of my goodes I gyff to my wyff Agnes and William Chele, whome I make my executors. Whytnes therof, Robert Lounde vicar; Richerd Warde; John Lounde; and John Gyll.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 10 April, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JAMES HERTLY [OF FOSDYKE].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 333d.]

3 April, 1532. I Jamys Hertly of Fosseyke make orden and constitute my testament and last will. My body to be buryed within the churche yerde of All Halloys, with that that the lawe will to be my mortuary. To the high altare ther for tithes forgotten iiijd. To the Sepulcre light ther ijd. To the Plough light ther ijd. I will that a candell of a li. of wax be founde be my executors to burne afore our Lady of Piete in the church of Fosseyke sex yervs next aftyr my departyng. To Agnes my wyff ij mylch kyne, viz. a rede rogeled and a blak, with a burling red dowed. I wyll that my house that I bought of John Londe be solde be the councell of Nicholes Pulvertotte, and the halffe of the money receyvyd therof to be yeven to Agnes my wyff, the other halff I will that it be by the mynde of the same Nicholes bestowyd and wayred in catall and the proffet therof yerely cumyng to go to the use of my chyldren Thomas and Margaret to the cum to laufull age, equally to be devydyd betwyxt them by the same Nicholes. To Margaret my daughter the best matterys and coverlet that was her mothers, a brasse pot with a lypout, [etc.]. To Thomas my sonne. To William my sonne a brasse pot that was his whyte moders, [etc.]. To Nicholes Pulvertotte my moll hall. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff unto William my sonne, whome I make my executor. Thes wytnes, Nicholes Pulvertotte to be supervisor and for hys labor iijs. iiijd.; John Stykney; and Thomas Barret; with sir Thomas Pytfelde preste curate of the same towne.

Proved before P., at Boston, 9 April, 1532.

[LINCOLN DIOCESAN REGISTRY, INVENTORIES, 1508-50, NO. 14.]

Inuentarium omnium et singulorum bonorum Jacobi Hartley nuper defuncti factum tercio die Aprilis Anno domini millesimo quingentesimo tricesimo secundo appreicatorum per Thomam Trece Rogerum Welby Johannem Stickney et Petrum Ascoby de eadem viros fide dignos prout sequitur:

In the Hall

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| Furst a hanginge | vijd. | Item xiij platteres and | |
| Item iiiij tables | xvjd. | dishes | vs. |
| Item ij formes ij paire of | | Item iiiij salsers | xijd. |
| tristells | vijd. | Item a powder pott | iiijd. |
| Item a chaire and ij stoles | vjd. | Item v salsers | xijd. |
| Item a choppinge stocke | ijd. | Item vj candelstikes | ijs. |
| Item a standinge cupboard | xijd. | Item v bacon flitches | vs. |
| Item iij bras pottes | iiij. s. | Item ij quoshinges | xijd. |
| Item iij pannes | xxd. | Item iij table clothes | ijs. |

In the Perloure

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| Item a bed and all things perteynyng to it | vjs. viijd. | Item vj pillowes | iijs. viijd. |
| Item a matteres | ijs. | Item ij broken coffers | xijd. |
| Item iii couerledes | iiijs. | Item an old chest | iiijd. |
| Item x yeardes blanket | vjs. viijd. | Item a table and ij tristelles | iiijd. |
| Item all his apparell | xxxijjs. | Item a bed that he died in | iijs. |
| Item iiij paire of lynnōn shetes | vjs. viijd. | Summa partis iijl. xiijs. | |

In the Chambere

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| Furst a bed as it standeth | iijs. | Item a paire of cleves and ij horse lockes | vijd. |
| Item a paire of bed stockes | vijd. | Item ix hespes of yarne | vjs. |
| Item whete | xvjd. | | |
| Item a sawe | iiijd. | | |

In the Mylkehousē

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| Item ix powder dishes and platters | iijs. | Item xij mylke pannes and vij pipnes | xijd. |
| Item ij salsers and a saltsseller | | vjd. | |

In the Kytchyne

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| Item ij bras pottes | ijs. | Item iiij tubbes ij bottes a barell and ij cheise flettes | xxd. |
| Item iiij pannes and a . . . | xxd. | Item xx treyne dishes | vjd. |
| Item a deske for dishes | xijd. | | |

In the Yearde

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| Item pailes and oder wood | vjs. | Item a plouegh and all thinges to yt | vjs. viijd. |
| Item a carte and all things to yt | xs. | | |

In Qwycke Catall

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| Item an old horse | xs. | Item iiij swyne | iijs. |
| Item vj kyne and a burlinge | iijl. xiijs. | iiijd. | |

In the Feilde

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| Item iiij stonge wheate | vjs. | Item iiij stonge beanes | iijs. |
| Summa partis | vjl. | vjs. iiijd. | |
| Summa totalis | xjl. | iiijd. | |

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| Furst to maister Wolmer for ij mayres and rent | | | xlijs. |
| Item to maister Trece | | | vijjs. xđ. |
| Item to Beile baley | .. .. .. .. .. | .. .. .. .. .. | vjs. viijd. |
| Item to John Londe | .. .. .. .. .. | .. .. .. .. .. | vs. |
| Item to William Armonde | .. .. .. .. .. | .. .. .. .. .. | ijs. iiijd. |
| Item to sir Stephen Haithnes | .. .. .. .. .. | .. .. .. .. .. | xvijd. |
| Item to maister Wolmer for willowes | .. .. .. .. .. | .. .. .. .. .. | vjs. viijd. |
| Item to maister Wolmer for rent at Mich' was a twelmonneth | .. | .. | xls. |
| Remanet | .. .. .. .. .. | .. .. .. .. .. | vjl. xiijs. |

THE TESTAMENT OF JENYT MAWTBY [OF LANGTON BY WRAGBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 288.]

6 April, 1532. I Jenet Mawteby of Langton besyde Wragby makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche of st Gyls off Langton, and in the name of my mortuary as the lawe dothe require. To my curat to pray for me xs. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd.

To the high altare of st Gylys of Langton viijd. A trentall of messys to be done for me xs. To m^r Sawtemarche and to his wyff. To William Kyddall. To my iiiij doughtters. To Jenet Wadyslay my doughtter. To William Wadyslay iiij chyldren. To Alice Darwyn. To John Darwyn iiiij chyldren. To Margaret Hawyll. To Richerd Hawyll my sonne doughter. To William Hawyll fyve chyldren. To Charlys Hawyll my sonne and to hys wyff and hys doughter. To William Hawyll wyff. To John Wadyslay iiij chyldren. To William West ij chyldren. To Alice Ware. To Richer my sone wyffe. To William Hawyll of the nether towne. To Robert Coket. To the iiiij orders of frerys to iche of the orders xijd. To every one of my godchylldren iiijd. To the churche of st Gylys of Langton iijs. iiijd. of my proper goodes, and iijs. iiijd. of my dettes that owyng me. The resydue of my goodes I will that William Hawyll and Richard Hawyll my sones dispose for the helthe of my soule, and they to have for ther labors ether of them xs. Wytnes, sir Xp'of'er Walker; Thomas Dykynson; William Hawyll; William Denys; Robert Smyth; William Warde; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 26 April, 1532, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN LEKE [OF SWALLOW].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 351.]

13 April, 1532. I John Leke of the parysh of Swalloy makes my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the church yerde of st Savior in Swallo. To our Lady warke of Lincoln ijd., and to our Lady iiijd. To the high altare at Swallo for tithys forgottyn iijs. iiijd. To the churche ther xijd. To Herby churche iiijd. To the churche of Coke-wolde iiijd. To Walter and Richerd my sonnys, and to my iiiij doughtters. To Edmunde my sonne and to ilke one of my chylder. The resydue of my goodes I will that Jenet my wyff dispose for the helthe of my soule, whome I make my executrix. Whytnes, sir Walter Curteys; Richerd Hill; William Peche; Walter Sketyll; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Croxby, 10 June, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JOHN ROWME [OF CONISHOLME].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 351d.]

16 April, 1532. I John Rowme of Conysholme makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of st Peter in Conysholme. To our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the holy sacrament in Conysholme churche iiijd. To our Lady in the same churche iiijd. To my sonne John and to my doughter Malde. To my doughter Jenet. To my sonne Thomas. To my doughter Catheryne. To my doughter Margaret. I bequeth to one trentall for me and my brother Rawffe to be done at Conysholme xs. To my gostly father xijd. To my wyff Margaret my house and all my lande unto my eldest sone John be at laufull yeres of age. The resydue of my goodes I bequeth them to my wyff Margaret, whome I make my executrix. Thes men beyng whytnes, sir John Smyth; John Coke; Laurence Rowme.

Proved before P., at Saltefletby, 13 June, 1532, by the executors.

THE TESTAMENT OF W. WYNSHYP [OF GOXHILL].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 289d.]

22 April, 1532. I William Wynchyp make my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of Goxill. To the high altare xijd. To the churche of Gouxill iiijd. To our mother churche of Lincoln for reparacions xijd. To Edmund my sonne. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Agnes my wyff, whome I make my executrix. Whytnes heroff, John Paradice prest; Robert Wynchyp; Cristofer Cok; Hugh Bell with other.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 5 July, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT TAYLOR [OF WORLETBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 342.]

In Dei nomine Amen xxvij^o die Aprilis the yere of our Lorde God m^l¹ fyve hundredth I Robert Tayllor off Worletby beyng hole of mynde and remembraunce makes my last will and testament in thys maner foloyng. Fyrst I wyt my soule to God Allmyghty and to our Lady s^t Mary and to all the gloriose saintes in heven and my body to be buryed in the southe porche of the kyrke of Worletby. I wyt to the kyrke of Worletby iijs. iiijd. I wyt to our Lady of Lincoln vjd. I wyt to the high altare in Worletby kyrk xijd. The resydue of my goodes I wyt to Agnes my wyff, whome I make executor, with the oversyght of Richerde Stotterd and Thomas Phylipson the yonger. Thes wytnes, sir Robert Halton vicar there; Edward Grene; William Phylipson; et alijs.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 21 May, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM BAKER [OF SALTFLEETBY ALL SAINTS].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 357.]

10 May, 1532. I William Baker of the parysh of All Halloys of Salfletby makthy my last will and testament. My body to be buryed within the churche of All Halloys, and also my mortuary to be payd aftyr the rate and substance of my goodes. To the high altare of our mothe [sic] churche of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warke of the sayd churche iijs. iiijd. To the high altare of the forsayd churche of All Halloys for tithys and oblaciōns forgottyn vjs. viijd., and towarde the reparacions [folio 357d.] of the sayd churche xls. To the reparacions of the paryshe churche of s^t Jamys in Louthe xijs. iiijd. To the paryshe churche of Northelkyngton xxs. To the paryshe churches of Mabylthorp s^t Mary, s^t John of Stayn, and Ludburgh, [each] vjs. viijd., and towarde the honornament of the parysh churche of Lyttyll Grymesby one crosse clothe the price vjs. viijd. And I will that one honest preste shalbe hyeryd to syng and celebrate messe and other divyne service satisfactorie within the aforesayd parysh churche of All Halloys for the helth of my soule, my benefactors, and good frendes soulys, and all crysten soulys by the space of x yeres nexte immediatly foloyng aftyr my departyng from thys present worlde, and the sayd preste to have to hys wagys yerely duryng the sayd x yeres cvjs. viijd. to be payd to hym

¹ The rest of the date has been omitted, for the year 1500 is an impossible date, since Robert Halton was not instituted to the vicarage till 29 March, 1509. He was still vicar in 1532. 1532 is a probable date for the will.

quarterly. To the iiiij orders of frerys beyng within thys limitacion to every one of them vjs. viijd. To Alice my wyff in redy money xxl. and halff the householde stuff that was myne and hyrs. To Mary the daughter of m^r John Raythby and Margarete my daughter lxl. and the other halff of my housholde stuff. To the forsayd Margaret Raythby my daughter the housholde stuff whch was Beatrix Baker my mother. To mastersys Fitzwilliam the wyff of m^r George Fytzwilliam my m^r xls. To m^r Jeffray Raythby gentleman xls. and to hys wyff xxs., and to every one of ther chyldren vjs. viijd. To the forsayd Margaret Raythby my daughter in money xxs. To Isabell Baker the wyff of John Baker xxs. To Margaret Whyte the wyff of John Whyte the yonger of Thedylthorp vjs. viijd. To Robert Baker hys wyff and hys chyldren emonges them xxs. To Alyson Smeton vjs. viijd. To Margaret Johnson iijs. iiijd. To Margaret Bowyd iijs. iiijd. To Walter Bolyng-broke xls. To Bryan Baker xls. To Xp'of'er Baker xls. To every one of my awnte Jenet Curtes chyldren viijd. To every one of my uncle Thomas Peper chyldren vjs. viijd. To John Chyste lxvjs. viijd. To every [folio 358] one of hys brother and sisters vjs. viijd. To every one of my godchyldren xijd. To Beatrix Poterill liijs. iiijd. To Nicholes Ray and hys wyff xiijs. iiijd. To Richerd Edmundson vjs. viijd. To Robert Scortheth my servant vjs. viijd. I will that my mansion or dwellyng house with the appurtenances in Louthe, whch I of late bought of William Lincoln merchande, be solde be my executors towardes the performance of thys my last will and testament. To Alice my wyff my mansion or dwellyng place with all other my landes within the towne and parysh of Saltfletby duryng her lyff naturall, and aftyr her decesse to remayn to Margaret my daughter the wyff of m^r John Raythby and to the heyres of her body, and for defawte of suche issue to remayn to John Baker and to the heyres of hys body, and for lake of suche issue to remayn to the right heyres off me for ever. To my daughter aforesayd all suche leyse³ as I have takyn to ferme by indenture copy or other wyes in Brakenborow, Saltfletby, Mabilthorp, and elswhere within the countie off Lincoln, excepte ij acres yng grounde lying in Yng Crofte in Saltfletby, and also excepte suche parcellys of grounde belongyng to any of the sayd leyse³ as lyeth within the close which I before have gyven unto my wyff for terme of her lyff, whiche ij acres and parcells I will my sayd wyff shall have and enjoy duryng the terme of the yeres whych I have taken them for, and aftyr her decesse I will they shall remayn unto my sayd daughter her heyres and assygnes, accordyng to the tenor and effecte of thys my will touchyng the leyse³ and ferme³ aforesayd. I will that m^r George Fytzwilliam of Mablethorp esquier be the supervisor, and he to have for hys labors one horse of my best, ij yeres olde, or ellys in redy money xls. The resydue of my goodes [folio 358d.] I gyff to m^r John Raythby my sonne in law, John Baker of Saltfletby and John Whyte yonger of Thedylthorpe s^t Helene, whome I make my executors they to expende it as they shall thinke it moste expedient for the helthe of my soule and to the ples' of allmyghty God, and they to have for ther labors every one of them iijl. Thes beyng wytnes, syr George Gummby preste; Thomas Fyswyke the elder, Martyn Gunny, Martyn Browne, and Thomas Browne of Saltfletby; with many moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 23 June, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF ROBERT YOLLE [OF BULLINGTON].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 341.]

12 May, 1532. I Robert Yowle of the paryshe of Bullyngton, yoman, and servant to sir George Taylboys, do orden and make my testament and last will. My body to be buryed in the churche of s^t Jamys in Bollyngton, for the which buryall and romyth I do gyff to the churche iijs. iiijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln iijs. iiijd. To the high altare of the forsayd churche of s^t Jamys for tithys negligently forgottyn xijd. To my lady dame Elizabeth Taylboys vjs. viijd. To m^r William Taylboys sonne unto the forsayd Elizabeth vjs. viijd. To masterys Vernon iijs. iiijd. To mastres Dymok iijs. iiijd. To every servant in my master house singulerly iiijd. I will that a prest syng a trentall off messys for the helthe of my soule, and he to have xs. therfore. I will that ther shall be gyffyn to prestes for Dirige and ministracion of messys at my buryall and in other almays dedes vjs. viijd., at my vijth day iijs. iiijd., and at my twelvemonthe day iijs. iiijd. To my syster Julyan Jakson iij brode yerdes off marbyll clothe. To Edwarde Jakson sone to the forsayd Julyan. To Anne Jakson daughter to the forsayd Julyan. To Jane Hall of Langton ij kye whiche be in the custody of Robert Yarker at Aplay. To William Hall brother unto the sayd Jane a brandyd cowe which is in the custody off olde Hyme at Aplay. To John Jakson of Howton in Bekeryng a mare which is in the custody of Robert Yarker off Applay. To Thomas Browne xijd. To John Hollyngworthe ij sterlys, a red geldyng and a clene red. To Xp'ofor Brumby preste xijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to William Hall and Jane Hall, the which William and Jane I make my executors for to dispose accordyng to conscience and as they shall thynke most conuenyent for the helthe of my soule, and John Hollyngworthe to be supervisor. Thes beyng whytnes, Xp'ofor Brumby, preste ; Thomas Browne ; John Hollyngworthe ; and other moy.

Proved before P., at Wragby, 15 May, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF DAVID EDWARD' [OF HORNCastle].
 [L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 357.]

20 May, 1532. I Dauid Edwarde of Horncastre makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of our blessyd Lady off Horncastle. To the high altare of Horncastle iiijd. To the churche warkes of the same vjs. viijd. I will that my dets be payd. I will that my goodes be devydyd in thre partes, one parte to my ij chyldren, the other ij partes to my wyff, and she to dispose for my soule as she thynkes best. I will that yff it shall please God to take other of my chylder from this present worlde at any tyme or that they cum to laufull age, that other of them shall be other heyr. I will that if Johanne my wyff mary at any tyme afore my chyldren, that is to say Barnabe my sonne and Beatrix my daughter cum to lauful age, then I will that she shall fynde sufficient suerty that ther partes shall be delyueryd unto them by the sight of my frendys ; and yff she wilnot fynde sufficient suerty by the discretion of Oliuer Luffell and other my frendys, then I will that ther partes be delyveryd owt at the discrecion of master Browne parson of Marom and Oliuer Burkynshawe of Myntyng, to be putte in

save custody to the sayd childer behoyff to they cum to laufull age. The residue of all my goodes I gyffe unto Johanne my wyff, whome I make my executrix for to dispose it for the helthe of my soule. In wytnes, Olyuer Luffell; John Goodwyn; and Gylberde Wyberde; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Scamelesby, 14 June, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF WALTER SOOLY [OF NORTH RAUCEBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 342.]

22 May, 1532. I Walter Sooly, seke in body, make my testament. My body to be buryed in the churche of st Peter in North Rawceby. To our Lady of Lincoln xijd. To the high altare for forgottyn tithys xijd. To my curates to pray for me vjs. viijd. To the churche of Rawceby xxd. To st Jamys chapell xijd. To Henry Burton. To Agnes my daughter, and to iiij of ther [sic] childer. To Simon Welby. To Laurence my sonne my copy that I holde of st John. I bequeth my house with the appurtenances that longes therto to Agnes my wyff, and she to stande with reparacions. To every one of my godchilde iiijd. The resydue of my goodes I gyff to Agnes my wyff and Laurence my sone, whome I orden my executors that they may dispose for the helthe of my soule y^t God better may be pleasyd. Thes wytnes, sir William Styrlay vicare; sir Edward Thomas; Thomas Shoter; Thomas Bate; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 29 May, 1532. Administration granted to Laurence the son, power being reserved to grant to Agnes the relict.

THE TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM WATSON [OF OWERSBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 351.]

24 May, 1532. I William Watson of Owresby, seke in body, makes my last will and testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of st Martyn in Owresby. I wyt to the high altare of Owresby for oblacionys and tithys forgottyn xijd. To our Lady warke of Lincoln xijd. To the altare in Holton churche iiijd. I wyt to st John off Wyngall iiijd. I witt to the high altare of Thornton iiijd. To the churche warke of Owresby ijs. iiijd. To Adam my sonne. To John Hardy. To Jenet Hardy. I wit to Helene my doughtter. To Cecill my wyff one house in Owresby with all the landes belonging to it duryng her lyff yff she mary not, and yff she mary then Adam my sonne to have it. I will that my goodes be devydyd in iij partes, one to my wyff, another to my chylder, and the thyrde parte to be disposyd for the helthe of my soule aftyr the discretion of Cecill my wyff, whome I make my executrix. Thes beyng wytnes, sir Nicholes Hughytson vicar; Robert Broxham; William Wellys; and John Magnell; with other moy.

Proved before P., at Croxby, 10 June, 1532.

THE TESTAMENT OF JANE BRODLAY [OF BONBY].

[L.C.C., 1520-31, f. 375d.]

7 June, 1532. I Jane Brodlay of Bonby makes my testament. My body to be buryed in the churche yerde of st Androy of Bonby. To the high altare of st Andro of Bonby for tentes forgottyn xvijd. I wytt

to our Lady of the northe hyle iiijd. I wyt to the high altare of our mother church of Lincoln vjd., and to the warke of the same church vjd. I wytt to the church warke of st Andro of Bonby a quarter barly. The resydue of all my goodes I will that they be devydyd emong my iiiij chyldren in equall partes, that is to say to Robert, Jamys, Johan, and Margaret, by the syght of indifferent persons, so that one have no more then another. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff to the disposition of Robert my sonne, whome I make my executor, and that he dispose for the well of my soule by the syght of William Brodlay my sone my supervisor. Wytnes heroff, sir John Hygdon vicar ther; Robert Hornsy senior; Robert Williamson; with many mo.

Proved before P., at Lincoln, 5 July, 1532.

ANNE METHELAY [OF OVER BURNHAM].

[STOW, 1531-56, p. 345.]

30 November, 1521¹. I Ann Methelaye of Ouerburnum in the parishe of Haxaye, wydowe, hoale of mynd and perfyte memorye, make my testament and will. My bodye to be buryed before the crose in the church yearde of st Nicholas of Haxaye nigh vnto sepulture of John Methelaye late my husband. I bequeith in the name of my mortuarye my beaste according to the custome of the countrie. To Joanne Methelaye my daughter all my apparell and rament belonginge to my bodye. To our Ladyes workes of Lincoln' iiijd. To the highe alter for tythes forgotten iiijd. The residewe of all my goodes above not bequest my debtes considered and paid I geue and bequest to Nicholas Methelaye, William Methelay, Roberte, and Jefferey my sonnes, whome I ordeyne executors and [page 346] that they dispose the said godes amoungest them, and that euerye one of them when they shall come to the state of mariaige haue their porcions of the said goodes to dispose for their most profytt; and John Methelaye my eldist sonne I constitute supervisor. Thes witnesses, sir Roberte Hewett, parishe prest: Willam Sandford; Roberte Hessyll; and others.

Proved before L., at Owston, 16 June, 1531.

THE TESTAMENT OF EDWARD HYN [OF DONINGTON IN HOLLAND].

[L.C.C., 1532-4, f. 72]

1529. I Edward Hyn of Donyngton make my last will and testament. My body to be buryed within the church yerde of Donyngton. To the high altare ther for tithys forgottyn xijd. To every other smal altare viijd. To every gylde iiijd. To every light in the same churche ijd. To the church warke of the same and to the reparacion of the bellys ijs iiijd. To the church warke of our Lady of Lincoln iiijd. To the fatherles chylder of st Catheryns ijd. To one ornament to the churche of Donyngton xls. To Catheryne my syster to her mariage xls. To Jenet my syster ij qwyces. To Jenet her daughter yff she lyff to the age

¹ The date has been altered from 1531.

of xvij yeres xiijs. iiijd. The resydue of all my goodes I gyff to Robert Hyn my father, and I will that he be my executor, and he to pay my legacy and bring me furthe as he thynkes best, by the oversight of sir John Pollyn chauntry prest of Donyngton, and he to have for hys labor iijs. iiijd. Thes men beryng wytnes, Roger Aucocke, Nicholes Kerbe, of Donyngton ; with other mo.

Proved before P., at Spaldyng, 10 October, 1532.

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